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THE UNIVERSITY OF JORDAN SERIALS DIVISION

Republic's athletes rejoin Olympics

Bush to remove sanctions on South Africa

By DAVID MILLER IN LAUSANNE AND SUSAN ELLICOTT IN WASHINGTON

PRESIDENT Bush will this week announce the lifting of American trade and financial sanctions against South Africa, after concluding that Pretoria has satisfied demands for progress in dismantling apartheid, White House officials said.

Liberal Democrats in Congress have 30 days to challenge the move, but the White House is confident that Mr Bush will prevail since public sentiment has shifted from the pro-sanctions support that persuaded Congress in 1986 to impose trade restrictions over the veto of Ronald Reagan.

International isolation was further reduced yesterday when the International Olympic Committee said South Africa would be allowed back into the Olympic movement, from which it was expelled in 1970. South African athletes will be able to compete next year, their first Olympic appearance since an all-white team entered the 1960 Games in Rome.

South Africa will receive at the end of this month an invitation to participate in next year's Olympic Games in Barcelona, and possibly a belated invitation to the winter Games in France in January/February. With cricket, rugby and golf all likely formally to embrace South Africa in the immediate future, the involvement of one of sport's most enthusiastic nations will accelerate spectacularly.

US administration officials said Mr Bush decided to ease the embargo on most trade and investment after the State Department judged the government of President de Klerk to be taking adequate steps towards releasing all political prisoners. Their release was the last of five conditions South Africa was expected to meet in order to demonstrate "substantial progress toward dismantling the system of apartheid and establishing a non-racial democracy".

The four others were a repeal of apartheid laws, the legalisation of political parties, an agreement to hold talks with black political leaders on non-racial government and the lifting of a state of emergency. The White House made clear last month that it believed these four had been met, and officials in Washington had widely predicted a lifting or suspension of American sanctions this summer.

Some sanctions, however, will remain, among them a ban on nuclear trade, an arms embargo and a freeze on the country's access to loans from the International Monetary Fund and trade guarantees from the US Export-Import Bank.

Marlin Fitzwater, the White House spokesman, said Mr Bush would "send a determination to Congress soon" after James Baker, the Secretary of State, reportedly told him that Pretoria's decision last week to process remaining political prisoners cleared the way for the sanctions to be lifted or suspended. Mr Baker's review ended a quibble about the definition of legitimate political prisoners, from which the United States excludes those who have committed violence. South Africa has set free about 1,000 political prisoners and says that those remaining have committed violent crimes, including murder or attempted murder.

European Community trade sanctions against South Africa remain technically in force because of a dispute between EC governments. The community banned the import of South African iron, steel and krugerrands and prohibited new investment in 1986. The limited measures would be lifted, the community agreed at the time, when Pretoria took steps to repeal the Group Areas Act and the Land Act.

Britain dropped the ban on new investment months before its EC partners did so last December. Last April EC ministers decided to lift the remaining trade sanctions. But the Danish parliament has so far refused to sanction the lifting of the embargo, which legally remains in force.

EC foreign ministers meet today in The Hague. Although South Africa is not on the formal agenda, sanctions are likely to be discussed in the light of developments elsewhere in the world.

The IOC's decision to grant outright membership to South Africa will immeasurably alter the face of world sport. The committee has brushed aside any reservations it might have had about some remaining non-white political opposition within South Africa to the country's return to the international sporting arena.

Primo Nebiolo, the president of international athletics, confirmed last night that South Africa's application for readmission to the international federation would be accepted at the congress in Tokyo in August immediately before the world championships, and that places would

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NIGEL CHANDLER



Yugoslavia's grief: A relative mourns at the Orthodox funeral of a Serbian who was killed in a raid by Croatian forces on Sodolovci in Croatia

Threat to uneasy Yugoslav peace

From ANNE MCELVOY IN LJUBLJANA

THE uneasy peace between the Yugoslav federation and the breakaway republic of Slovenia was threatened yesterday after both sides accused each other of jeopardising the ceasefire by breaching the terms of the EEC-inspired agreement reached at the Brioni talks last weekend.

Belgrade said that Slovenia had refused to allow trapped army units to leave, and that it had failed to lift all of its road blocks as promised. It also claimed that the republic was continuing to hold some members of the Slovenian police force prisoner in contravention of the agreement, which stated that all captives must be released by midnight on Monday.

The Slovene defence minister, Janez Jansa, said, however, that the delay had been caused by federal army prisoners refusing to return home, and added: "The situation is still fluid."

The eight-man federal presidency which met in Belgrade on Monday night to discuss the implementation of the ceasefire concluded that Slovenia has "failed to completely fulfil its obligations". The gathering was boycotted by Slovenia, which had earlier ordered its delegate to vacate his seat.

Two of the presidency's members from Bosnia and Macedonia were sent to Ljubljana yesterday to monitor the demobilisation of Slovene troops. About 50 EEC observers are due to enter Slovenia and Croatia today to pave the way for a fixed monitoring team. The observers will work in pairs throughout the troubled region in the company of local politicians and representatives from the federal presidency.

The apparent reluctance of Slovenia to comply rapidly with the terms of the truce is considered to be an attempt to

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Army chiefs say troop cuts are unworkable

By MICHAEL EVANS, DEFENCE CORRESPONDENT

ARMY chiefs are expected to advise the government that plans to reduce troop levels by 40,000 and infantry battalions from 55 to 36 are unworkable.

The stand by the army board, which is examining proposals for restructuring the regiments, will create an embarrassing dilemma for the government, which yesterday announced in a white paper the scaling down of the army from 156,000 to 116,000 by the mid 1990s. A phased redundancy programme is to start next year.

Tom King, the defence secretary, describing the white paper as the most important for 30 years, appeared resolutely opposed to any change of mind over the future size of the army. In his "options for change" defence statement in July last year, he proposed an army of 120,000 personnel. But a year later the figure has dropped a further 4,000.

In spite of Mr King's apparent determination to see the cuts enforced, army chiefs are understood to be prepared to fight. Although General Sir John Chapple, chief of the general staff, has the right to appeal direct to the prime minister, there is no suggestion that he intends to go that far. The army board's next move will come after it has delivered its report on the planned cuts to the Defence Council, chaired by Mr King.

The white paper recognised that implementing the mergers and disbandment of some of the regiments would have to be handled with sensitivity. Details of the restructuring, and other decisions on cuts, possibly including the fate of the Royal Navy dockyards, are to be announced later this month. Mr King said that he was anxious to remove the feeling of uncertainty among servicemen.

At Commons question time, John Major said: "Final decisions on options for change will take account of all relevant factors. Those decisions have not yet been made. When they are made, Tom King and I will be here to answer for them."

George Younger, former defence secretary, warned that cutting the number of infantry battalions to 36 would render the army incapable of meeting its commitments in Germany, Northern Ireland, the Falklands, Cyprus, Belize and other areas. He said on BBC Radio 4's *World at One* programme: "It is up to the Ministry of Defence to decide ... I think they will find trying to do this job on 36 would be absolute agony."

The defence budget is to reduced in real terms by 6 per cent in the next three years, compared with 10 per cent in the last five years, although spending on equipment will remain broadly level.

Menzies Campbell, Liberal Democrat defence spokesman said: "We still don't know how the government assesses our military commitments, actual or potential, against resources."



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Huge claim faces BCCI insurers

By OUR BUSINESS STAFF

LIQUIDATORS to the Bank of Credit and Commerce International, closed down by the Bank of England, are contemplating a massive claim on BCCI's insurance policies in an effort to win back money to pay depositors.

Touche Ross today is opening centres to advise the small businesses caught up in the BCCI collapse.

In the Commons, Paddy Ashdown, the leader of the Liberal Democrats, urged John Major to recognise the plight of BCCI investors and to lift the £15,000 ceiling on compensation. The prime minister said he understood the depth of the tragedy but gave no indication that he was prepared to sanction more generous compensation.

It also emerged that BCCI's name was on a list of approved banks supplied to local councils last month by the Bank of England and the environment department.

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London zoo given a year's reprieve

By MICHAEL MCCARTHY, ENVIRONMENT CORRESPONDENT

LONDON zoo received a year's reprieve yesterday when its governing council backed down from the threat of closure in September, in spite of receiving none of the public money that the zoo said was essential for survival. The zoo is giving itself until September next year to raise from the private sector the funding for its £12 million survival plan.

David Jones, zoo director, said that the decision marked an end to a highly publicised three-month poker game between the zoo and the government over funding, with the government having in effect called the zoo's bluff, in spite of headlines suggesting a mass slaughter of animals if money was not forthcoming.

Mr Jones said the zoo would talk to companies and private individuals about its £12 million survival plan, which envisages the 36-acre Regent's Park site becoming a conservation education centre with most of the 8,000 animals being transferred to Whipsnade Zoo in Bedfordshire. The zoo had received about 20 serious approaches and all would be investigated.

Mr Jones said, however, that if the sonsorship money could not be raised, the zoo would close next year and the future of Whipsnade would also be called into question. "The threat is still there. The financial situation is still very difficult."

Mr Jones disclosed that a new female giant panda would be coming to the zoo from China, and would later be joined by a male from an American zoo. "That's not a sign of a zoo about to close."

Grateful Gorbachev asks to meet Thatcher

By PHILIP WEBSTER, CHIEF POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

PRESIDENT Gorbachev is to meet Margaret Thatcher when he visits Britain next week to thank her for the part she played in securing his invitation to talk to the leaders of the world's top industrial countries.

Mrs Thatcher personally interceded with President Bush earlier this year when doubts arose over whether Mr Gorbachev would be allowed to attend, sources close to the former prime minister confirmed last night. Mrs Thatcher first backed the idea of Mr Gorbachev attending the G7 London conference when she was at her last world summit as prime minister in Houston a year ago.

In May it emerged that there had been objections in Washington and Japan to Mr Gorbachev's attendance.

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As Judge Stephen Tumim begins his Brixton prison enquiry, it was learnt the gun used by two IRA suspects to escape from Brixton jail could have arrived in a parcel Page 3

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Great English breakfast is on the tunnel menu



Heading for Paris: cooked breakfast on the train

By MICHAEL DYNES
TRANSPORT CORRESPONDENT

THE great English cooked breakfast will survive the journey through the Channel tunnel, it was disclosed yesterday. Against their better gastronomic judgment, French and Belgian railways appeared to have agreed in principle that passengers on the new international rail services between London, Paris, and Brussels will be offered the traditional breakfast, with its sausage, bacon, tomatoes and mushrooms.

There is, however, a price to be paid. The continental authorities have drawn the line at fried eggs. The Channel tunnel trains will not be equipped with the hot plates needed to mass produce them.

That may be good news in theory, coming on the a day when William Waldegrave, the health secretary, called on the nation to eat less fat, but British Rail catering officials, who have been involved in delicate negotiations, are bracing themselves for an outburst of popular hostility similar to that caused by Brussels' bureaucrats in the BBC series Yes, Minister, who tried to rename the British banger an emulsified high-fat offal tube.

Purists may insist that a cooked breakfast without the fried egg is unworthy of the name, but British Rail catering managers say that they will have done well to preserve most of the dish against the continental onslaught.

Mike Smith, marketing manager for BR's onboard services, said he would be sorry to witness the passing of the fried egg, but added: "As long as the egg remains in some form, whether scrambled or fried, it will still be a traditional English breakfast," he said.

Mr Smith's French and Belgian counterparts have been impressed by InterCity's ability to increase sales of cooked breakfasts throughout the 1980s, at a cost of £12.25 each (excluding champagne), at a time when lunch and dinner sales have declined. The dish is also very popular among tourists.

Contracts for the new international catering services are expected to be put out to tender this week, with the winner announced by the end of the year. BR's onboard services, which sells half a million cooked breakfasts on InterCity trains every year, is confident of winning the contract, although stiff competition is expected from Serveair, which provides catering services for French high-speed trains, and Wagonslit, the independent Belgian catering company.

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Interest rate cuts fail to lift housing market out of slump

By CHRISTOPHER WARMAN, PROPERTY CORRESPONDENT

THE housing market has not recovered from the slump in spite of cuts in mortgage interest rates, the Halifax building society says in its house price survey published yesterday.

Average prices rose by 0.1 per cent in June compared with 1.1 per cent in May, while the annual rate of house price inflation was minus 0.2 per cent, the same as the previous month.

A second survey, by Nationwide Anglia, reports an average increase in house prices of 1.8 per cent over the last three months, the first quarterly rise in prices it has noted in two years. A spokesman for the Halifax said that the impact on home sales of lower base rates had been small, mainly because the recession had increased uncertainty over employment. Interest from buyers in the South had been sporadic in recent weeks, the spokesman said, while in the North the impact of the recession had been less noticeable as many areas were used to high unemployment and cheaper housing.

The annual inflation rate for house prices measured by the society has remained between plus and minus 2 per cent every month since February last year. Until then it had been falling steadily from the peak of over 34 per cent during 1988.

The Halifax report says that the stability of recent figures indicates that house prices on average in the UK have not fallen significantly during the current recession. "They would now appear unlikely to do so. Given the falls in interest rates that have already occurred in 1991 and the likelihood of further falls, this should boost consumer confidence, which will feed through into increased activity in the housing market."

New houses fell in price by 1.9 per cent in June and are now 2 per cent below their level of a year ago, possibly reflecting a new round of discounts by housebuilders.

HOW HOUSE PRICES HAVE MOVED

Region	In last 3 months %	In last year %
South-West	+0.8	-3.8
South-East	+0.1	-5.1
Greater London	+0.3	-4.2
East Anglia	+2.8	-4.0
East Midlands	+1.7	-2.3
West Midlands	+2.8	-0.3
North-West	+2.4	+4.9
Yorks/Humber	+1.8	+1.0
North	-0.9	+2.5
Wales	-0.3	-1.8
Scotland	+4.8	+6.0
N Ireland	+5.8	+12.1

Prices paid by first-time buyers increased by 0.6 per cent in June and are 0.5 per cent higher than a year ago.

The Halifax remains consistent in its forecast that house prices will rise by up to 5 per cent in the year to December.

☐ The complaints system for council and housing association tenants is criticised in a report published today by the National Consumer Council.

A survey shows that one in six of nearly 2,000 tenants questioned did not complain although they were dissatisfied with the service provided by their landlord, and many did not know about a complaints or appeals procedure. Some tenants are deterred from complaining by the attitude of staff.

The report calls for all housing organisations to have an accessible, easy-to-use and well-publicised complaints procedure for tenants and those on waiting lists. In addition, local authorities should have a formal appeals system for homeless people for whom they refused to accept responsibility to house.

A survey of 144 tenants carried out by Salford university indicated that only one-third of complaints had been settled to the tenants' satisfaction. "These results show that tenants can feel stifled when it comes to expressing their views on the housing service they receive", Lady Wilcox, council chairman, said.

"If tenants do not complain, it is bad news for the housing organisation because it shuts off a valuable source of information about standards of performance. If a council or housing association wants to give a service that meets the needs and wishes of their tenants they must listen to what the tenants have to say," she added.

Housing Complaints Procedures: principles of good practice for social landlords (NCC, 20 Grosvenor Gardens, London SW1W 0DH, £2.50)

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Threat of industrial action by miners

MINERS yesterday threatened to take industrial action over a claim for a "substantial" pay rise.

However, there was opposition at the National Union of Mineworkers' (NUM) conference in Blackpool from several areas including south Wales, Scotland and Derbyshire. The voting power of big areas including Yorkshire and the North-east ensured that a motion raising the prospect of industrial action was agreed by 40-18.

The union will now write to British Coal calling for talks and will hold a special delegate conference to sanction a ballot on industrial action if there are no negotiations this autumn.

Delegates from Derbyshire, Leicestershire, north Wales, south Wales, Scotland, Coss (white collar section) and the power group all voted against the motion on industrial action. Yorkshire, Nottinghamshire, the Midlands, north-east and Lancashire voted in favour.

Mr Arthur Scargill, the union's president, said he hoped the message from the conference would be translated into support from all miners to try to compel British Coal to negotiate with the NUM over pay.

● Neil Kinnock is planning to confront head-on Conservative and union critics of Labour's plan for a national minimum wage when he addresses Britain's biggest trade union today (Philip Webster writes).

The Labour leader is expected to dub John Major the "prime minister for poverty pay" and say that Labour will be proud to go to the country promising a minimum wage of £3.40 an hour. In a speech to the Transport and General Workers' Union conference in Blackpool Mr Kinnock is to launch a strong attack on Mr Major's record as a minister and prime minister, describing his period in government as the "bottom-of-the league years."

Plea to MPs for vocational awards at all universities

By JOHN O'LEARY, HIGHER EDUCATION CORRESPONDENT

EVERY university, including Oxford and Cambridge, should be encouraged to offer vocational diplomas to raise the status of job-related education, John Sellars, chief executive of the Business and Technician Education Council, said yesterday.

He told Conservative MPs, political advisers and parliamentary candidates at a meeting in London that radical steps were needed to achieve the government's target of equal esteem for vocational and academic education.

He said: "The task ahead for all those who wish vocational education to be accepted by the wider community as the equal of academic education is a difficult one. A thousand years of respect for the scholar and academic learning as the sole mark of quality in education has to be challenged."

Since high status institutions, notably the universities, exercised such influence over the rest of the education system, Mr Sellars advocated reform from the top. Universities should take more students with vocational qualifications and offer such courses themselves. Institutional mergers and franchise arrangements would enable traditional universities to absorb sub-degree courses.

Mr Sellars said that one outcome of present reforms "should be the naturalness of an Oxford graduate studying Greats taking a BTEC module in office administration, either in the university or at his local technical college, as part of course work". The objections of those in the universities who feared for their research status could be overcome by Training and Enterprise Councils entering into compacts with universities, offering consultancy contracts in return for taking students on vocational courses.

A third innovation would be the reorganisation of A-level courses into modular units so that students could mix academic and vocational programmes as part of the government's proposed advanced diploma. Leaving the present A-level pattern undisturbed could impede seriously the promotion of vocational education.

Although several MPs supported widening university curricula, Lord Beloff said academic autonomy should not be diluted further. Stuart Sexton, head of the Institute of Economic Affairs' education unit, opposed any change in character for A-levels.

☐ Her Majesty's Inspectors yesterday praised the standard of humanities and social science courses in polytechnics and colleges of higher education. A report on inspections between 1986 and last year said that students taking those subjects were more likely than others to be unemployed six months after graduation, but their job prospects improved greatly in the longer term. About half eventually worked in industry and commerce.

CHRIS HARRIS



Family celebration: Lord Sainsbury, centre, with brothers Simon, left, and Timothy, at the official opening yesterday by the Queen of the National Gallery's new wing. The £35.5 million wing, which has come in for much architectural criticism, houses the gallery's early Renaissance collection. Lord Sainsbury told the Queen he had been ashamed that the site had been left desolate for more than 40 years. "My brothers and I just felt something had to be done," he said.

Big rise in crown court trials aborted by CPS

By FRANCES GIBB, LEGAL AFFAIRS CORRESPONDENT

A SIGNIFICANT increase in the number of crown court acquittals made at the instigation of the Crown Prosecution Service before a full trial is revealed in the CPS annual report published yesterday.

The figures show that of all crown court acquittals, the jury acquitted after a full trial in 48.4 per cent of cases, the judge in 13.2 per cent of cases and the CPS in 38.4 per cent. The high incidence of trials aborted at the last minute or at an early stage, is of particular concern to the Lord Chancellor, Lord Mackay of Clashfern, because it is one of the main causes for rising legal aid costs.

The proportion of judge-directed acquittals is the same as it has been over the last three years, the report shows. However, the proportion of acquittals directed by the CPS has risen from 34 per cent in 1988-9 to 38 per cent in 1990-1. The number of acquittals by the jury after a full trial has dropped correspondingly.

The report says: "There is a continuous process of review by the CPS throughout the life of a case, and circumstances — of which the service must take account — can change after committal." The CPS discontinued nearly one in ten magistrates' courts' cases where proceedings had been started by police in the year 1990-1, according to the report.

The percentage of cases discontinued — 9.4 per cent of the total 1.6 million — was up by 8 per cent compared with the previous year. The power to discontinue cases was one of the main purposes underlying the setting up of the service in 1986 and the separation, for the first time, of the investigation of crime from its prosecution.

In all, in 1990-1 the CPS dealt with 1.6 million defendants in the magistrates' courts, a slight rise on the previous year.

The series due to begin in *The Times* today on dishonest lawyers and the estimated £163 million in compensation being paid for fraud by solicitors has unavoidably been held over to tomorrow.

Cell riot prisoners surrender

By QUENTIN COWDRY, HOME AFFAIRS CORRESPONDENT

SIX prisoners facing charges of violent disorder in connection with a jail riot smashed through cell roofs under a crown court yesterday, forcing officials to halt a trial and evacuate the building.

The violence erupted at lunchtime after the jury in the prisoners' trial at Winchester crown court had retired to consider its verdicts.

Police reinforcements were brought in after the men broke through the ceilings of their cells under the court and began hurling missiles at guards. Four of the inmates gave themselves up shortly after 3pm and the other two surrendered at 7.15pm. They had secured themselves in the void between the cell roofs and the concrete floor of the courthouse.

After the failure of initial attempts to persuade the men to surrender, officials halted a rape trial in court two and cleared the building. Police with dogs surrounded the court. It is understood the inmates, allegedly involved in disturbances at Dartmoor jail last year, began the protest by throwing food at warders. Later, however, they began hurling ceiling tiles.

The jury of eleven men and one woman in the prisoners' trial were last night taken to a hotel in Winchester. They are believed to have been unaware of what happened.

Last night, John Browne, Tory MP for Winchester, urged Kenneth Baker, the home secretary, to make a statement about the demonstration. He said he was appalled at the breach of security so soon after the escape of IRA suspects from Brixton prison.

Controversial Scots sheriff suspended

By KERRY GILL

A SCOTTISH sheriff whose courtroom behaviour has caused widespread anxiety in recent years was suspended yesterday by Ian Lang, the Scottish secretary.

The suspension came after a recommendation by two senior judges who are investigating his fitness for office. If he is dismissed he will be only the second sheriff so treated in 20 years.

Sheriff Ewen Stewart, aged 65, whose controversial and much-criticised style led to the investigation by Lord Hope, the Lord President of the Court of Session, and Lord Ross, the Lord Justice Clerk, will receive his full salary during his suspension.

The investigation into Sheriff Stewart's behaviour was ordered after representations by some MPs and critical observations by Sheriff Principal Ronald Bennett, QC.

Sheriff Stewart, who covers Grampian, Highlands and Islands, may have had some inkling that his time on the bench was limited. Earlier this year he said: "I will go on until my time is up or until I am kicked out." If he is told to go after the investigation he will have 40 days in which the order can be annulled by a resolution in either the Commons or the Lords.

Last year he was granted an interim interdict stopping the BBC from televising a programme in which he featured. The broadcast told how he had lunch with two accused during their trial.

Sheriff Principal Bennett criticised Sheriff Stewart's handling of a civil case in Stornoway, when the sheriff interrupted more than 100 times, "sometimes at great length and upon matters ... irrelevant to the issues before the court".



Stewart: on full pay while he is under suspension

Fishermen use new nets as EC ban fails

By MICHAEL HORNSBY, AGRICULTURE CORRESPONDENT

BRITISH fishermen are to start using large-scale drift nets known as "walls of death" which environmentalists blame for the mass slaughter of dolphins, porpoises and small whales.

Three Cornish trawlers plan to join French and Irish fishermen using the nets to catch albacore tuna off Spain after the failure this week of European Community fisheries ministers to agree on a proposal banning drift nets longer than 1.5 miles.

The agriculture and fisheries ministry said that while Britain supported the proposal for a ban the ministry was not prepared to restrict British fishermen unilaterally.

Britain voted two years ago for a United Nations resolution calling for a worldwide ban on large-scale drift net fishing from July 1 next year and on any expansion of existing fishing of this type in the interim.

Isobel McCrea, chief wildlife campaigner for Greenpeace, said: "The delay by the EC will undermine the UN resolution. It is also certainly against the spirit of the resolution for Britain to allow Cornish fishermen to use these nets. We do not accept that Mr Gummer cannot act unilaterally."

The Cornish trawlers — two from Newlyn and one from Mevagissey — will start using the nets very soon, said Elizabeth Stevenson, a regional representative of the National Federation of Fishermen's Organisations. "Our local fish stocks are being hammered by other EC fishermen, our quotas are being cut back and we have to try and exploit new opportunities."

The vessels will be using nets less than five miles long. Fishermen say that nets of this relatively modest length (drift nets can be as long as 30 miles) will not catch many dolphins.

The main opposition to the ban comes from France, which has up to 60 vessels using drift nets, with support from Denmark and Germany.

Sean Whyte, director of the Whale and Dolphin Conservation Society, said: "The dolphin catch rate per kilometre of drift net is the same in the French nets as in the longer ones used in the Pacific."

Prince calls for shared loan deals

By CHARLES KNEVITT

THE Prince of Wales yesterday called for financial partnerships for community-led development in inner cities, outer estates and remote rural areas. He said there should be special loans which reflected common interests and risks between the public, private and voluntary sectors.

"The drip-feed schemes of short-term grants and subsidies are not suitable for longer term operations and are not often as sustainable as they otherwise might be," he told an audience of 300 at the sixth annual Community Enterprise Awards, of which he is patron.

He predicted that the private sector would soon regret not having become becoming involved earlier in community projects.

"Today, I suspect that a number of opportunities are being missed. Tomorrow, it might easily be that companies will have to compete for business created by community entrepreneurs all over the country." He had praise for the two major award winners: Cariocca Enterprises, of Manchester, which received the Charles Douglas-Home award as the outstanding entry; and North Kensington Amenity Trust, west London, which received the chairman's award. The awards are sponsored by *The Times*, the Royal Institute of British Architects and Business in the Community.



The Prince of Wales speaking at yesterday's awards

Pensioner killed

Police were yesterday hunting the killer of a woman aged 97 who was battered to death in her flat at an old people's residential block in Walthamstow, east London. They believe that Florence Glanville, who was last seen alive on Monday morning, may have opened the door of her home and was attacked by a burglar who ransacked her home. There were no signs of forced entry to the flat.

Conductor dies

Roger Smith, the conductor who dreamed of a Glyndebourne-style opera centre at his 17th century Gloucestershire mansion, has died aged 56. He collapsed while changing for a cricket match. Mr Smith, owner of Highnam Court, former home of Sir Hubert Parry, composer of the hymn Jerusalem, had played a French horn and piano duet at lunchtime during the match at Huntley on Monday.

CORRECTION



In the book page on Thursday June 20 we published a picture of Hugh Miller, the distinguished Scottish writer and geologist (1802-1856), left, in a review of a novel by Hugh Miller the contemporary Scottish crime writer, right.

Fake porcelain vases stolen in raid on 'Black Museum'



Stolen: a fake Dutch Delft 18th century vase

By SARAH JANE CHECKLAND, ART MARKET CORRESPONDENT

THIRTY fake art objects, including Chinese bronzes and European porcelain, have been stolen from Sotheby's "Black Museum", or reference museum of fakes.

The objects' total value is several thousand pounds, though as part of Sotheby's history they are priceless, said David Battie, Sotheby's curator.

If they had been genuine, the hoard would have been worth £500,000.

"You couldn't really recreate the museum even if you had the funds. It is harder in some cases to find the duds than the real thing," said Mr Battie.

Police said the thieves may not have known that they were stealing fakes. They took only one of some pairs of objects and left behind the most valuable object of all — a copy of an Iznik tankard worth £1,000 as a fake, and up to £200,000 as genuine. They stole a similar one worth only £60.

Prize items stolen include a *majolica* pottery plaque (worth £80,000 had it been real); two Chinese Shang Dynasty bronzes nearly a foot high (£250,000 if real) and two scientific instruments, worth £40,000 if the thieves can find a buyer. The largest group was of European porcelain, copied by the Parisian manufacturer Emil Samson.

The museum, formed by the late Jim Cadell, a director and porcelain expert, was used to teach experts the difference between authentic works and imitations.

● An anonymous buyer paid a record £616,000 for a drawing by Thomas Gainsborough at Christie's in London yesterday. The previous record was £220,000.

The price for the black chalk image of a woman and child also broke the record for an English drawing by £143,000. The drawing, identified during a recent valuation in America, is thought to be the sketch for an unrealised work The Richmond Water-Walk, a painting commissioned by George III in 1785, which features virtuoso drapery and feathery hair.

The drawing was shipped to America in 1912 by the collector Harry Elkins Widener of Philadelphia who died on the Titanic later that year.

● Iraq has accused the Allies of "boorish" lack of concern for thousands of prime archaeological sites during the Gulf War, according to the current edition of *The Antique Collector* magazine.

Ziggurats and minarets were used by Iraqi forces as platforms for anti-aircraft batteries. Some were Allied targets because they were close to military installations.

Muiad Saeed, director of the Iraqi Department of Archaeology, lists 26 holy shrines apparently obliterated by the Allies including the 900-year-old church of St Thomas in Mosul, the famous helter-skelter minaret of the great mosque at Samarra, and the National Museum of Antiquities in Baghdad, the world's most important and varied collection of art from Mesopotamia. The Pentagon denies the claims.

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Junk food diet puts Britain near top of heart disease list

By JILL SHERMAN, SOCIAL SERVICES CORRESPONDENT

THE government stepped up its campaign for a healthier nation yesterday with new guidance calling on people to eat less fat, sugar and salt and take more exercise.

Health organisations welcomed the report but urged ministers to translate policy into action by introducing laws on food labelling and nutritional guidelines for school meals.

The report from the Committee on Medical Aspects of Food Policy says that people are eating too many of the wrong foods and taking far less exercise than they did 30 or 40 years ago. Cars, lifts and desk-top computers have contributed to more sedentary lifestyles. The result is a nation of overweight, inactive people which has one of the highest levels of heart disease in the world.

The report endorses previous warnings that sugar is a significant cause of tooth decay and urges people to consume less. No-one should eat the equivalent of more than 12 teaspoons a day, it says. One fizzy drink and a large bar of chocolate would be over the recommended limits, Sir Donald Acheson, the chief medical officer, said.

"We are looking for a substantial change, but not one that will make food any less enjoyable," he said. "In the last few years we have seen an increase in the number of obese people in the population, particularly women."

Thirty or forty years ago no-one was aware of the problem. However the new range of foods available after the war had sowed the seeds for diseases which appeared 10 to 30 years later, Sir Donald said. Britain was almost at the top of the table in relation to coronary heart disease, he said. Apart from links between diet and heart disease, diet was also associated with cancer of the womb, breast cancer and cancer of the lower bowel.

Launching the report, William Waldegrave, the health secretary, said it was the most comprehensive and up to date document of its kind in the world, but he admitted that it would mean little to the man in the street "or even the secretary of state in the street". New food campaigns would be launched later in the year with the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, which would spell out what the report means. The food industry will be encouraged to provide more explicit and comprehensible food labelling, although legislation is unlikely.

Britons now eat an average 80lb of sugar each every year, which contributes about 18 per cent of food energy. In future, consumption should not exceed 10 or 11 per cent of food energy, no more than 60 grammes per person per day.

The report also gives a warning that the higher the blood cholesterol level, the greater the risk of heart disease. The amount of saturated fat consumed should be cut from 16 to 11 per cent of food energy, with total fat reduced from 40 to 35 per cent of food energy.

The committee suggests an estimated energy requirement depending on age, sex and in some cases levels of physical activity. A moderately active man aged 19 to 50 needs 2,550 calories a day, while a women needs 1,940. A man aged 75 however only needs 2,100 while a women of the same age needs 1,810.

The Coronary Prevention Group welcomed the "excellent" report but gave a warning that the government must act by introducing practical policies. That would include laws on food labelling and new guidelines for school meals and other catering outlets, since three in four children ate too much saturated fat. Food manufacturers and fast food outlets should also develop meals which were healthy as well as tasty because the majority of take-away dishes were high in fat or sugar or both, the group said.

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TIM BISHOP

World-class: Claire Bertschinger, the Red Cross nurse whose television interview about conditions in Ethiopia inspired Bob Geldof to launch Band Aid, with the Florence Nightingale Medal, which she received yesterday. The medal is awarded bi-annually to international relief nurses who show exceptional courage and devotion to duty. From 1983 to 1985 Miss Bertschinger worked in Lebanon as well as Ethiopia. In 1987 she was in Uganda. The following year she was a medical administrator in southern Sudan. She has recently returned from Kabul, Afghanistan, as a field nurse treating war casualties.

Doctors fight for tobacco ads ban

By THOMSON PRENTICE
MEDICAL CORRESPONDENT

LEADING medical organisations launched a campaign yesterday to persuade the government not to oppose a European Council directive to ban tobacco advertising and promotion.

A total of 29 organisations representing almost all the country's 85,000 doctors have joined forces under the title of Doctors for Tobacco Law. The doctors say the government's reluctance to support the proposed ban is incompatible with its recent green paper which set out targets to improve health.

"This is a failure by the government to grasp a huge opportunity to promote health," John Moxham, of King's College hospital, London, and chairman of the coalition, said. "The green paper plans to reduce deaths from heart disease, strokes and cancer, but 110,000 people a year die from these diseases as a result of smoking."

Professor Moxham said that when William Waldegrave, the health secretary, published the document last month, he pledged that the government would take whatever action it thought necessary to improve public health. The plan was to cut the number of adults who smoke from 32 per cent to 21 per cent by the year 2000.

"The only way this can be achieved is through legislation that stops the promotion and advertising of tobacco," Professor Moxham said. "We will wage an energetic campaign, involving every doctor, to bring this about."

Martin McNichol, chairman of the British Thoracic Society, representing lung physicians, which founded the coalition, said: "We have no doubt the government is responding to the pressures of vested interests in opposing the European ban."

The government has said there is not enough evidence to show that a ban on advertising would have a significant effect on consumption.

Jail escape gun may have been hidden in parcel

By STEWART TENDLER AND QUENTIN COWDRY

SCOTLAND Yard's anti-terrorist branch is investigating the possibility that the gun used by the two IRA suspects to escape from Brixton prison could have been hidden in a parcel containing trainer shoes posted from the Irish republic several weeks ago.

The parcel should have been searched rigorously but the .25 calibre gun would not have been seen unless the boot was cut open or x-rayed. The other trainer may have been weighted so that the two matched. A senior Yard source said that smuggling the gun in the parcel was one of a number of options being considered. Another was that once the gun was passed on to the men, Pearse McAuley and Nessan Quinlivan, McAuley could have hollowed out the space in the trainer.

They may have reconnoitred possible escape routes and noted a building used as a dog kennel by the prison wall. When they escaped they climbed onto the sloping wall of the kennel and then pushed past or over barbed wire.

As the search continued yesterday, detectives carried out further raids on the homes of Irish republican sympathisers and contacts of the two men. Police have received hundreds of calls from the public reporting sightings of the men.

The National Association of Probation Officers, which has members who work at the south London jail, said if the gun had been posted the security gaffe had been "truly extraordinary". A recent survey by the association found that the two main routes for smuggling in goods were by post or visits. Post for category A prisoners was meant to be thoroughly examined.

The Prison Governors' Association said Judge Tumim, who is conducting an enquiry into the breakout, had to discover why prison administrators had failed to implement the secret recommendations he made last year for an upgrading of Brixton's security. *The Times* disclosed yesterday that officials rejected his suggestion that an "anti-climb" device be fitted to the jail's outer wall.

The enquiry team, which has to present an interim report to Kenneth Baker, the home secretary, by July 31, has set up an office in the prison. Judge Tumim, the chief inspector of prisons, is expected to begin interviewing staff today.

Speaking on BBC Radio 4's *Today* programme, Mr Baker dismissed prison officers' claims that under-funding of the prison service had contributed to the breakout. "We have recruited 4,000 more [staff] while the prison population has actually fallen by 5,000," he said.

The Home Office yesterday dismissed as "pure speculation" reports that ministers were considering drafting former officers from the armed forces into managerial posts within the prison service to raise standards. "The general feeling within the department is that the fault does not lie with governors, all of whom are highly dedicated," one official said.

Judges add four years to rapist's sentence

By FRANCES GIBB
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AN EIGHT-YEAR jail term on a man who raped a widow of 65 was increased to 12 years by the Court of Appeal yesterday after the Attorney-general appealed against the sentence as too lenient.

Three judges ruled that the sentence imposed at Manchester crown court last November on Alan Doheny, aged 26, of Milnrow, Rochdale, was unduly lenient. They allowed an application by the Attorney-general, Sir Patrick Mayhew, QC, for an increase because of the aggravating features of the offence. Lord Lane, the Lord Chief Justice, sitting with Mr Justice Auld and Mr Justice Judge, said Doheny's conviction was based solely on DNA genetic evidence. He denied the offence and set up an alibi.

The victim, who suffered a broken cheek bone, severe internal injuries and multiple bruises, was spared from having to give evidence at the trial. In November 1989, while returning home, she was grabbed from behind and pushed inside her house. She was punched in the face, forced upstairs and subjected to rape and another serious sexual offence. The rapist left after stealing £35 from her purse.

Lord Lane said the case called for a sentence greater than the eight-year starting point laid down by the court in its rape sentencing guidelines. Extreme violence had been used by a man who forced his way into the home of a victim old enough "to earn the respect of most people and not be made the victim of this type of attack". Although there was no evidence that a weapon was used, the attacker told his victim that he had a knife. She believed him and thought she was going to die.

The court took into account that Doheny had no previous convictions of this type and that Judge Hardy, who passed sentence, was experienced in rape cases.

Driver showed drug traces two days after train crash

By MICHAEL DYNES, TRANSPORT CORRESPONDENT

THE driver of the commuter train which crashed into the buffers at Cannon Street station in London on January 8, in which two people died and 542 were injured, was tested positive for cannabis two days after the crash, the coroner's inquest heard yesterday.

It was, however, not possible to establish whether cannabis had been taken immediately before or after the train crash because the driver, Maurice Graham, aged 24, was not tested until 48 hours after the accident, the inquest was told. Dr Alex Ormerod, the medical officer for British Rail's Southern Region, told the inquest that a urine sample tested by the poisons department at Guy's hospital, proved positive, indicating an "active use of cannabis." Dr Ormerod was, however, unable to comment on the potential effect of the drug at the time of the crash.



Graham: failed to keep first two appointments

Dr Sheila Dawling, an official from the hospital's poisons unit, said that the results indicated that cannabis had been ingested fairly recently before the test. "If he was to have a single smoke, the test would have been positive two days later. An habitual user may stay positive up to three weeks after the last use," she said.

Dr Ormerod gave evidence after the coroner, David Paul, suspended the right of medical privilege requiring doctors to preserve the confidentiality of patients' records, and ordered him to answer questions on the condition of the driver. During the public enquiry into the accident held by the Health and Safety Executive in Feburary, the medical evidence was heard in camera.

Dr Ormerod told the coroner that he had received three calls instructing him to be prepared to examine the driver on the day of the accident, and the next day, but that Mr Graham had failed to keep the first two appointments, preventing the examination from being conducted until 48 hours later.

The inquest into the deaths of Martin Strivens, aged 24, from Petts Wood, in Kent, and Patricia McCay, aged 59, from Forest Hill, South London, was ajourned until today, when Mr Graham is expected to give evidence.

Soldier found dead after armed siege

By MICHAEL THEODOULOU AND PETER VICTOR

A BRITISH soldier was found dead yesterday in a women's barracks in Cyprus five days after he took four hostages from the Women's Royal Army Corps.

Private David Carrington, aged 19, of the 1st Worcestershire and Sherwood Foresters, left his guard duty post at 2am last Friday and broke into the WRAC accommodation block where he held the women at gunpoint. They escaped three hours later and he had not been seen alive since then.

The soldier's foster parents flew out from England on Sunday hoping to persuade him to surrender after he refused to speak to army negotiators. Private Carrington, from Heanor in Derbyshire, was found yesterday morning when a soldier from his battalion was sent to look for him at Ayios Nikolaos camp in Dhekelia.

Robin Barrett, for the British armed forces in Cyprus, said: "We did not storm the barracks because we did not believe it was worth risking other people's lives."

Four Metropolitan Police officers who flew to Cyprus with listening equipment had been confident Private Carrington was no longer alive, an official said. A police investigation to determine when and how he died has been launched and an army board of enquiry convened.

Chairs become a sitting target

By TIM JONES

WHEN is a man not a man and a woman not a woman? When they are a chair, of course. Joanna Foster, head of the Equal Opportunities Commission, is, of her own choosing, a chair, and the TUC preference is for those in charge of its various committees to be called chairs.

Many innocent souls believe a chair is a thing you sit on. In fact, it is one of the most troublesome, perhaps even explosive, words in the language. In the modern egalitarian world, gender is supposed not to matter and a person's sex is meant to be subsumed by the position that he – or she – holds. Firemen are now fire fighters, policemen are police officers, and John Major could be chair of Britain.

The debate has reached the rarified atmosphere of even the Royal Society of Arts where one fellow has called on his colleagues to "have the guts to sublimate their rather sad emotional hang-ups" and banish such sexist terms.

He has, however, been shot down by the chairman, Baroness Denton of Wakefield, who wants none of it. What matters, she says, is the power.

Her indifference is not shared by Alan Tuffin, general secretary of the Union of Communications Workers, who is infuriated by suggestions that his postmen and post-women should be effectively neutered by being called posties.

"I am a living human being," said Mr Tuffin, who insists on being called the chairman of the TUC committee he heads. "I am not an inanimate object. How would Sir Bryan Nicholson, the post office chairman, like it if we started addressing him as chairie?

"If if were not serious it would be laughable. Postie sounds like something out of a cornflakes packet. We could end up with our members being called crunchies. When I become chairman of the TUC I will want to be known as that." Because a woman won the postman of the year award, the Post Office has asked personnel managers to think of a new name for the competition. One suggestion is the Mail of the Year.

Ms Foster, meanwhile, said that she decided to be called a chair after meeting senior managers of a blue chip City company. "They agreed that language has important symbolism and that my title should be people-friendly and woman-friendly". Unfortunately, perhaps, her zeal has not yet permeated the CBI, where a female spokeswoman/person/man said: "It is not the kind of word we encounter."

June Bassett, of the Queen's English Society, whose chairman is a woman, thought it all very daft and said that she and her members stood for the unambiguous use of the language.

A spokesman for Camden council in north London said it was policy for all their chairs to be neutered. Who would be a chair in Camden?

Ninety not out gives a dame something to dine out on

By JOE JOSEPH



Dame Barbara: "Now that I'm the queen of morality everyone wants my books. Red China wants me"

"It's not our normal policy to give messages from newspapers to our restaurant guests. People who come to Claridge's expect a certain privacy."

"But Dame Barbara Cartland's secretary told me to try and catch her at Claridge's. She's having lunch there at 12.30. It's to celebrate her 90th birthday. I'm sure she'll want to come to the phone. She's very chatty."

"I would not like to be the third party in this arrangement. If you want, leave a message with the hotel operator and we'll pass it on to the restaurant manager. Maybe she will call you. But I can't promise you anything."

"Hello? Hello? Is that *The Times*? Yes. It's me. What? Yes. Oh thank you. Yes, I'm celebrating it with my two sons. We're lunching at Claridge's. It seemed the most appropriate place.

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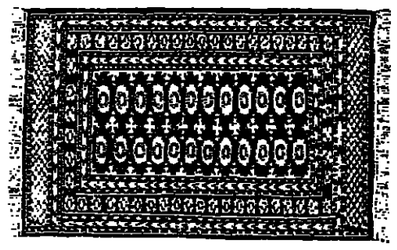
"I've taken a day off. I don't very often, because I'm so busy with my writing. I'm on my 544th book. No, no, wait, it's my 543rd. I've done four chapters. I write a book a fortnight. I've done 12 so far this year. I average 23 a year, so that works out at roughly one a fortnight. I'm in the *Guinness Book of Records*. No, I haven't decided what to call it. I only think of the title after I've written it. The last one was called *Saved By An Angel*.

"Now that I'm the queen of morality everyone wants my books. The government of Poland asked for my books because they were moral and would be good for Poland. We just signed a contract with a Polish publisher yesterday. Now Red China wants me.

"Guess what the Japanese have sent me for my birthday? Guess? Go on. They've sent me the largest white teddy bear. No, I left it at home. I would have needed another car to bring it up to London with me. I don't know what I'll do with it.

"Look, I really must go and have lunch now. I'm having lunch with my two sons and one of them doesn't like publicity, so I had better go. It's been so lovely to talk to you. Yes, thank you so much. Goodbye."

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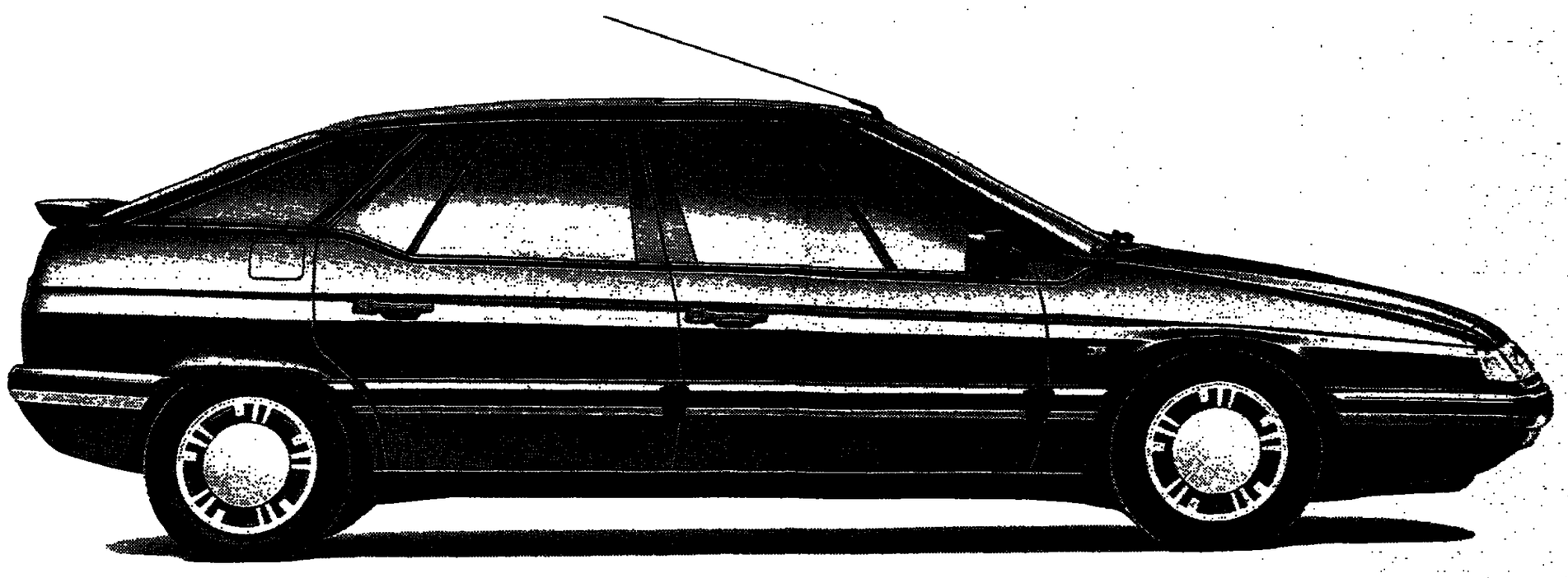
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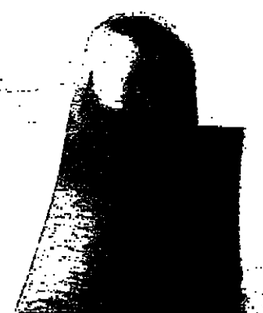
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Forces blueprint ends doubts but threatens jobs

THE Gulf war underlined the need for Britain to maintain armed forces which are "well supported, well manned and well motivated", the defence white paper said yesterday.

Since the "massive changes" in Eastern Europe and the collapse of the Warsaw Pact as a military organisation, however, the government's new policy is to create smaller but better equipped forces as the main response to the reduced threat from the Soviet Union. The army is to be cut from 160,000 on April 1 1990 to 116,000, the navy from 63,000 to 55,000 and the RAF from 89,000 to 75,000.

To back up its pledge to provide the smaller forces with modern equipment, the white paper lists existing orders for the three armed services and confirms some key equipment contracts for the future which have been in doubt because of the growing pressure on the defence budget. The document contains a promise to provide the Royal Marines with two new amphibious assault ships to replace HMS Intrepid and HMS Fearless, and an aviation support ship to carry commando helicopters.

Tender invitations for a fourth Trident ballistic missile submarine are also to be issued shortly, the white paper says, removing any doubt that the government intends to proceed with a full four-boat Trident force to replace Polaris by the mid-1990s.

The equipment budget for 1991-92 has been set at £9,271 million, 39 per cent of the total defence budget. Defence companies are told, however, that the armed forces will require fewer items of equipment and fewer spares. Defence ministry business supports about 450,000 industry jobs, directly or indirectly, and the government changes are bound to affect them.

"Some [companies] may choose to reduce the proportion of their defence business by diversifying into the civil market," the white paper says, but adds: "It is not for the government to seek to influence such decisions." Later, government sources made it clear that there would be no attempt to follow the policy of the Labour party, which has promised to set up a special agency to help companies to convert from defence to civilian production.

Among existing orders for new equipment, the white paper lists seven submarines, eight frigates and three minehunters for the navy; 130 Challenger 2 tanks, 536 Warrior armoured combat vehicles and 179 AS90 self-propelled guns for the army; and 26 Tornado air defence fighters, 18 Harrier GR5/7s and 79 Tucano training aircraft for the RAF. In his introduction to the white paper, Mr King said the changes in Eastern Europe had also created dangers. "We can make some reductions in defence but only in a careful and prudent way that recognises the risks and instabilities at this time of rapid change."

Britain is to have smaller but better equipped armed forces in response to reduced threats, Michael Evans reports

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Britain's Defence for the 90s

However, the key international developments on which the government's "options for change" defence exercise were founded, had been generally fulfilled: the Warsaw Pact had been dismantled, Soviet forces were withdrawing from Eastern Europe and the Conventional Forces in Europe (CFE) treaty had been signed and would soon be ratified. Nato had also agreed on the framework for future force structures, including the formation of a rapid reaction corps in Germany which would be British-led.

The white paper reveals the total weapons holdings of all Nato members, the precise details of which have previously been classified. Under CFE, Britain's 1,198 tanks are to be reduced to 1,015; the 636 artillery pieces will stay unchanged; the number of combat aircraft will rise from 842 to 900 and attack helicopters from 368 to 384. For all categories except attack helicopters, agreed CFE ceilings for Nato countries do not take up the full allowance.

The white paper says that with CFE and the withdrawal of Soviet forces from Eastern and Central Europe, the Soviet capability to mount a large-scale offensive was diminishing. "The capability to mount a timely defence against such a massive threat is no longer the main focus of our concern," it says. Under CFE and its unilateral reductions, the Soviet Union will have nearly 100,000 fewer "major weapon systems" in Europe compared to 1988 levels.

The white paper adds: "The risks we now face are far less obvious and monolithic. The Soviet Union remains an unstable military superpower, whose capabilities need to be counter-balanced if stability is to be preserved in Europe."

The white paper reflects a note of concern about the disposal of Soviet equipment which had been moved out of the CFE zone, east of the Ural mountains. Moscow had admitted that 16,400 tanks, 25,000 artillery pieces, nearly 16,000 armoured combat vehicles and at least 580 aircraft were involved.

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GULF WAR

Iraqis sent on leave before battle began

LARGE numbers of Iraqi troops who went on leave from Kuwait before the allied air campaign began never returned to their units, the white paper discloses. This is further confirmation that Iraq's forces were severely under strength when the allied offensive began.

Senior military sources said yesterday, after publication of the white paper, that Iraqi officers were paid extra for arranging for their men to go on leave. It was in their financial interests to ensure that the men under their command went home on leave, they said.

In a separate essay on the Gulf war, the white paper says that Iraqi forces built up to about 1.2 million personnel by the middle of January. It adds: "A relatively small number of Iraqi soldiers had crossed over to allied lines, but they reported that much larger numbers were failing to return from leave."

Combat forces from 11 countries took part in the ground campaign against Iraq and six more defended positions in Saudi Arabia. Coalition forces lost 223 personnel during action: 10 from Egypt, two from France, one from Kuwait, 33 from Saudi Arabia, six from the United Arab Emirates, 24 from Britain and 147 from the United States. From the first deployments in early August last year, 23 other British personnel died while serving in the Gulf.

Before hostilities began, 1,688 personnel were admitted to hospitals in the Gulf for treatment for illness and accidental injury, and 682 of these were evacuated to Britain.

A total of 1,215 cubic metres of drugs, dressings, equipment for operating theatres, laboratories and X-ray departments were sent to the Gulf. But fortunately these facilities were needed "only in a very few cases".

Although a more detailed assessment is being carried out into the war, the white paper says it is already clear that equipment came up to expectations "and in some cases exceeded them".

BUDGET

Slimmed services must stay geared to respond

BRITAIN's armed services must retain the organisation, skills and military technology to allow a rebuilding of force levels to meet an increased threat should the need arise, the white paper says.

But under present plans, agreed with Nato, the strength of the British Army of the Rhine which has remained at about 55,000 for 30 years, is to be cut to 23,000.

The prime focus of Britain's defence effort would continue to be the collective security provided by Nato. In formulating the options for change proposals, the government intended to remain a leading European member of the alliance, the white paper says.

The armed forces would retain their current roles in the alliance: the provision of nuclear forces, direct defence of the United Kingdom, a contribution to the defence of mainland Europe and maritime defence of the Eastern Atlantic and Channel.

The white paper says: "Changing circumstances permit a reduction and restructuring of forces for some of these roles."

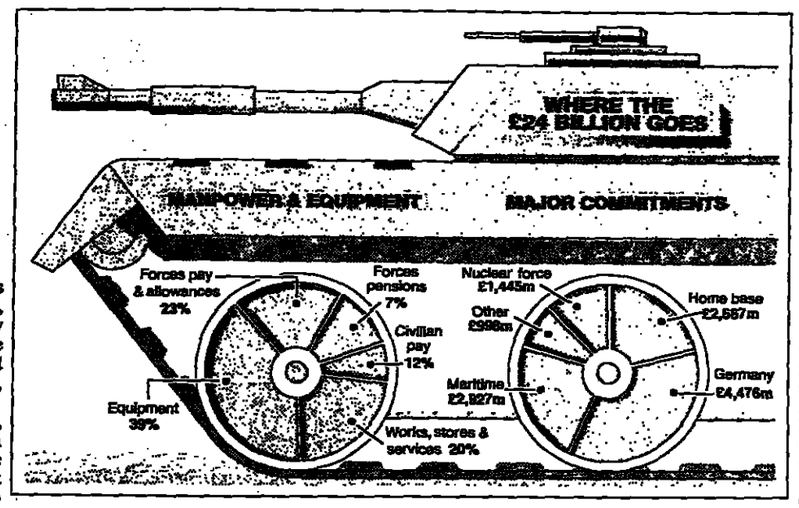
But they should still be able to engage in high intensity conflict, such as the Gulf war, to contribute to multinational formations and to respond to out-of-area troubles.

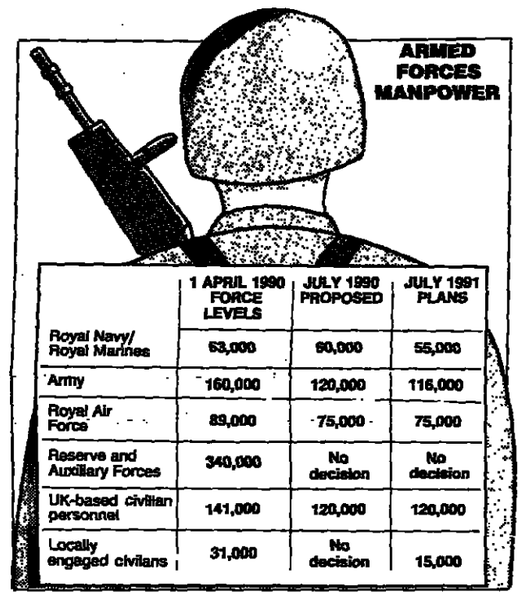
The budget for 1991-2 is £24,027 million, which includes £1,157 million to cover Gulf-related expenditure and its effect on other parts of the defence programme. Cash plans for 1992-3 and 1993-4 are £23,350 million and £23,390 million respectively.

Because of Gulf costs, defence expenditure will show a real increase in 1991-2 but it remains the government's aim to secure savings from the options for change exercise, and to reduce the share of GDP taken by defence.

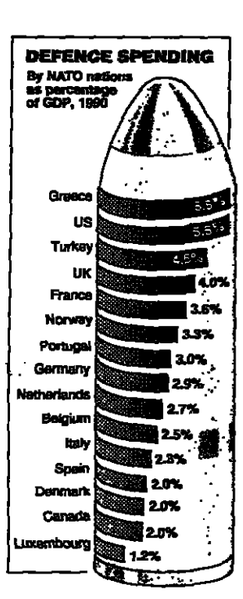
The estimated outturn for the budget in 1990-1 is £22,285 million, which is higher than the £21,223 million planned, largely because of deployments to the Gulf. Some £740 million was added to the budget to cover these extra costs.

However, 10 countries have promised to contribute a total of just over £2 billion towards the £2.5 billion bill faced by Britain for the war effort.





	1 APRIL 1990 FORCE LEVELS	JULY 1990 PROPOSED	JULY 1991 PLANS
Royal Navy/ Royal Marines	63,000	60,000	55,000
Army	160,000	120,000	116,000
Royal Air Force	89,000	75,000	75,000
Reserve and Auxiliary Forces	340,000	No decision	No decision
UK-based civilian personnel	141,000	120,000	120,000
Locally engaged civilians	31,000	No decision	15,000



OTHERS' PRIORITIES

Sweeping cuts approved in spite of unease

By Bill Frost

ARMIES, navies and air forces across Europe are under attack as economic constraints and changes in financial priorities compel governments to cut back dramatically. Reductions in manpower and procurement have become commonplace, often to the outspoken unease of service chiefs.

The French army is being cut from 290,000 to 250,000 men, much to the irritation of some politicians on the right. A current reorganisation of the service will see the disappearance of one corps of headquarters staff and the disbandment of a tank division.

Cuts are also be considered for the French navy and air force. Next year conscription is to be reduced from a year to ten months. However, defence spending, running at about £20 billion last year, is rising slightly.

Germany is to cut the size of her armed services by almost 150,000 in the next four years. Within months of absorbing the old East German army, the NVA, defence chiefs had retired thousands of officers regarded as inveterate communist hard-liners, a move which made political and economic sense.

By 1995, the strength of the German army will have been reduced from 476,000 to 370,000, the air force from 104,000 to 83,000, and the navy from 37,000 to 26,000.

United Germany has inherited a formidable stockpile of Soviet military hardware. Colonel Andrew Duncan, of the International Institute for Strategic Studies, said yesterday that much of the weaponry was already obsolete. "They will have to get rid of an awful lot of equipment. No spare parts or ammunition are available," he said. "Much of the material is outdated and unwanted. But some hardware is still serviceable. The Germans will keep the Mig 29 fighters they have inherited and the most modern armoured personnel vehicles."

Belgium is preparing to cut the size of her army by 20 per cent, from 69,000 to around 55,000 men. Conscription is to be reduced from a year to eight months. Forty warplanes, a third of the country's air force, will be mothballed and 14 minesweepers are to be "retired". Only one of the Belgian navy's fleet of four frigates will be at sea at any one time.

The Netherlands intends to reduce its armed forces by 30 per cent in the next ten years. One army brigade will, however, be kept in Germany. Some of the savings will go towards the multi-national rapid reaction force.

Canada has announced the withdrawal of 1,400 troops from Germany against a background of defence cuts. However, an "efficiency exercise" which saw the army, navy and airforce rolled into one combined service has proved less than a success. "They are creeping back to the old format. It simply did not work out," Colonel Duncan said.



Duncan: some discarded weaponry already obsolete

While mothballs and demobilisation haunt military commanders across Europe, their counterparts in Turkey are celebrating a windfall. The Turkish army, the largest but most badly equipped in Nato, is about to take delivery of a substantial number of US tanks and artillery pieces now considered surplus to requirements in the European theatre.

EUROPEAN DEFENCE

Alternative to Nato rejected

THE suggestion that Europe should create its own defence organisation outside Nato is firmly dismissed in the white paper.

Events in East and West presented a unique opportunity to strengthen collective Western defence arrangements by building a stronger European security identity and defence role.

But the white paper says the Nato alliance must remain the essential framework for safeguarding the freedom and security of its members. "No other institution can provide deterrence and defence against all threats of aggression...or can ensure a full role for the United States and Canada in the defence of Europe," the white paper says.

It underlines the government's attitude towards the nine-nation Western European Union (WEU). "The WEU can serve as a bridge between the transatlantic security and defence structures of Nato and the developing common political and security policies of the Twelve (the 12 members of the European Community)." But building "totally distinct" western European defence identities, involving the eventual absorbtion of the WEU by the EC "would be disruptive of Nato".

The white paper adds: "It would result in at least two classes of Nato European state and erode the principle of equal security for all. It would erode the concept of Nato as a full partnership in which European and North American countries participated on the same basis."

Since there is already one neutral country within the EC, the republic of Ireland, a defence organisation based on the 12-member EC would need to set up its own defence structures. "To follow this route would be to invite confusion and a less reliable defence than we have enjoyed over the last 40 years," the white paper says.

What was needed was a sound European defence identity which strengthened the transatlantic Nato framework and gave "substance to the European defence effort".

INDUSTRY IMPLICATIONS

Delay feared in ship orders

By Ross Tieman, Industrial Correspondent

FOR Britain's defence industry, already in the throes of cost-cutting, the statement on the defence estimates was a disappointment. Companies had been hoping for clear indications on the timing and scale of orders. Yet according to Colonel Robert Jarman, a defence industry analyst, the white paper proved little more than a holding statement.

However, he said the figures appeared to suggest that the government is likely to delay plans to order a further seven Sandown class minehunters – a bitter blow to Vosper Thornycroft, the Southampton warship builder, which constructed the first five ships in the series, and which has cut its workforce this year.

The government's plans embody a commitment to the maintenance of well-equipped, albeit smaller, forces. The proportion of total defence spending devoted to equipment will rise steadily from £9.27 billion, 39 per cent of the total, in 1991-92, as manpower is reduced.

Although a slower development timetable is likely, there is a continuing commitment to the European Fighter Aircraft and the Trident submarine force. The decision to complete the four-boat Trident programme is a comfort to VSEL, the Barrow-in-Furness warship builder. Noel Davies, the company's chief executive, said it was an encouragement but no more than the firm had expected.

A contract is to be placed shortly for the design of two new amphibious assault ships, with construction of an aviation support ship to follow at a later date. VSEL would be trying for all these orders.

British Aerospace, the country's warplane builder, will receive orders for further Harrier trainers. However, the company's small arms, ammunition, and military vehicle operations face a decline in business.

The biggest disappointment for the defence industry was the absence of any firmer indication.

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WHAT THE UNITED STATES IS CUTTING

Sentiment swept aside as Cheney trims the military fat



Cheney: public approval has given him freer hand for cuts

The Gulf conflict has given America a new clutch of heroes. This, and a shift in the political wind, has made defence cuts easier to accept, **Peter Stothard** reports

AMERICA is planning bigger defence cuts than Britain in the next five years but, because of the invasion of Kuwait, the cuts are smaller than was thought likely a year ago. Thanks to the defeat of Iraq, Richard Cheney, the defence secretary, stands higher in public approval than any of his predecessors since the second world war, allowing him to cut waste which would previously have been considered sacrosanct.

The United States expects to cut spending by 25 per cent by 1996, a 5 per cent larger cut than proposed in the white paper. However, under the system of power-sharing between White House and Congress, the American figure is the less assured.

As a result of extravagances and successful threats to the Soviet Union during the Reagan years, the US military has more easily identifiable fat than that of Britian. Because of the shift in the political wind, traditional bases and brigades, no less beloved by their supporters than the Household Cavalry is in Britain, will soon disappear on the decision of an independent board to which the government has passed the dirty work. This ruthlessness has been made much easier by Saddam Hussein. The sentiments attached to the units that defeated Hitler or the forts that defied the Cherokee do not seem so important when America has new heroes.

While Mr Cheney rides high, the defence record of congressmen, who have led the fight to protect home-town weapons factories and fleet repair yards, is held in correspondingly low public regard. When the military feels proud, it is easier for it to agree that overlapping services and extravagance are a bad thing.

The White House has almost succeeded in making political virtue out of combining intelligence and medical functions and cutting back old flags and supernumerary officers. Nor are there peeved royal patrons to impede its efforts.

For the state department, the Gulf war still provides plenty of opportunity for scoring diplomatic points. America wants fewer of its forces in Europe and more European defence commitments. However, it does not want loss of influence. As Washington struggles to maintain Nato even while the Soviet enemy falls, the need for "out of area" forces to defeat future Saddam Husseins is a potent argument.

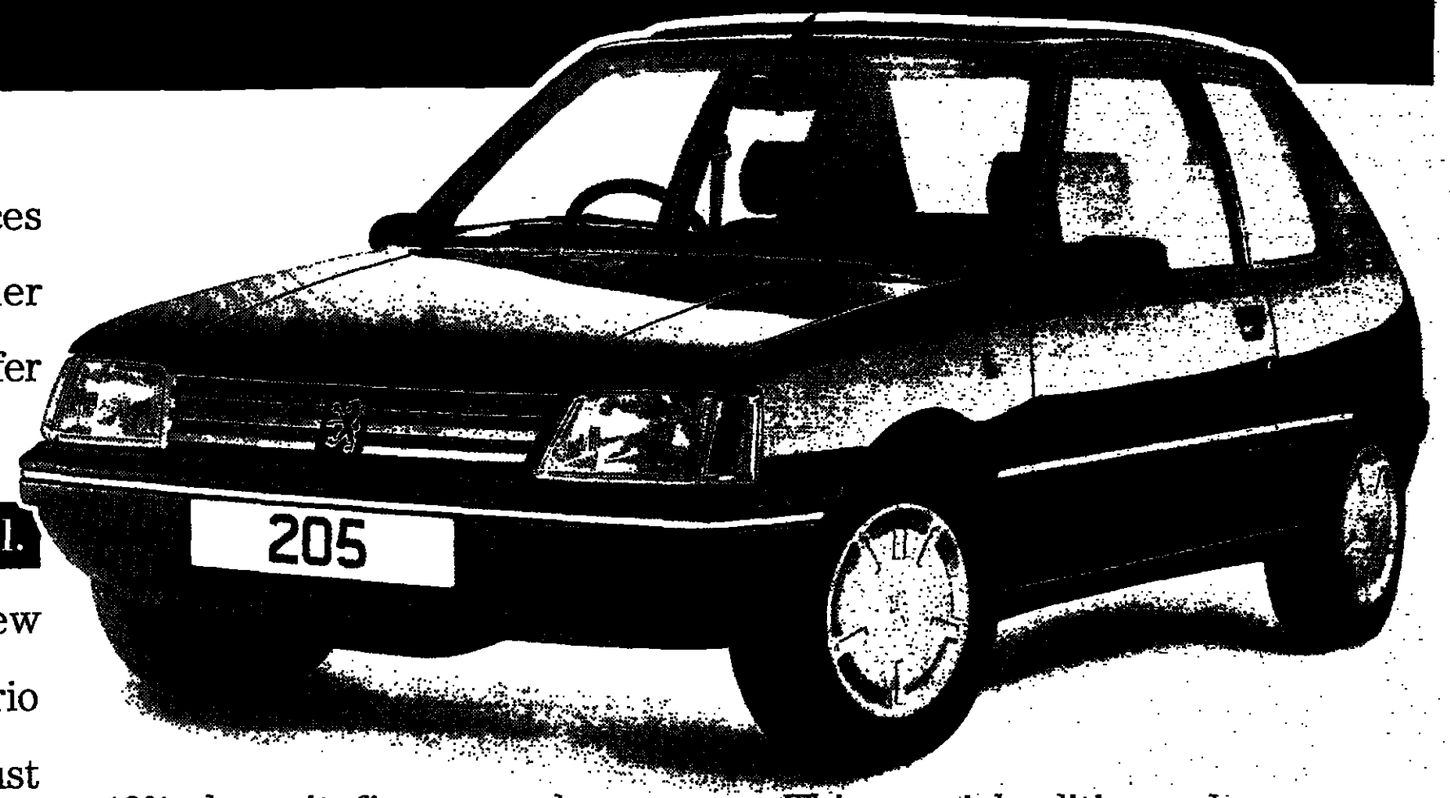
Before the invasion, Mr Cheney was in a worse budgetary position than Mr King. The senate armed services committee had hopes of a 50 per cent budget reduction in five years. People had real expectations of a peace dividend. Now their positions are more equal. The fiercest criticisms of military spending have been silenced.

Defence contractors are more hopeful. An assessment for an industry conference in Seattle suggests a rosy scenario in which spending would decline by 2 per cent per year until 1995 and a "perhaps more realistic" version in which the fall is 4 per cent per annum.

The pace is more cautious when the argument turns to the shape of future forces. Pentagon planners know that Saddam was an unusual enemy whose like they will be lucky to see again. They want to resist the temptation to prepare to fight another foe who will allow them six months to build up a position of superiority and then commit his forces to suicide. They are also cautious of high-powered sales drives by high-technology contractors whose presentations are now replete with shots of smart bombs producing puffs of smoke at the precise cross in the operator's sights.

While the Pentagon works on the rationalisation of obvious waste, there is internal pressure for a more competitive approach to building for the future. Mr Cheney is said to be considering ways in which rival defence department study groups, insulated from political and commercial constraints, should wrestle with the arguments over how America should police its New World Order.

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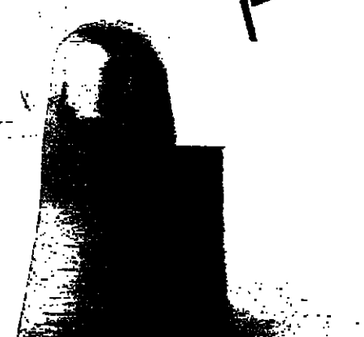
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Fighting Howard springs ambush

By Robin Oakley, Political Editor

MICHAEL Howard's appearance as lead speaker for the government in yesterday's low-income and quality of life debate was both a Tory ambush and a confirmation of the increasing role he is playing in the strike force of a newly combative team.

Labour had been expecting a social security minister to reply to their poverty debate. But the government deliberately did not name a speaker in advance and then slipped in Mr Howard, the employment secretary, to argue forcibly that the quality of life would be undermined by Labour's plan for a national minimum wage, pressed on it by the articulate leaders of public service unions.

The occasion was adapted to the Tory tactics for the week, as they concentrate on attacking Labour's policies on trade union law and the party's links with the unions. Yesterday, Tory MPs were primed to dolly questions to the prime minister on both topics. Today, Mr Howard will launch the results of an opinion poll demonstrating public distaste for the policies and Labour's links.

Mr Howard was once seen as the epitome of the pin-striped lawyer politician, brilliant with a complicated brief such as those he was given in piloting through the Financial Services Act, 1985, water privatisation and the poll tax. He was not seen as a man for the political rough and tumble, but Norman Tebbit showed that running the employment ministry can leave plenty of time for raw politics and Mr Howard has become one of the most effective scrappers in the cabinet, ever ready to take the fight to the enemy.

The measure of his success was the decibel level he produced on the Opposition front bench during his speech yesterday, with one Labour speaker after another furiously demanding the right to reply.

Over the past few weeks he has forced Labour on to the defensive over its commitment to the minimum wage, its planned replacement for Tory industrial relations laws and its links with the trades unions. Ministers believe that, although Labour has done much to correct its image since the last election on taxation policy, defence and the antics of the "loony left", it remains vulnerable on the public perception that it is under the union thumb. Hence repeated Tory questions yesterday emphasising that 18 out of 20 shadow cabinet members are sponsored by trade unions and the block vote wielded at the Labour party conference by Ron Todd, of the TGWU.

Some senior Labour figures have misgivings about the national minimum wage. Sensing their concern, Mr Howard has constantly pressed home his case that the minimum wage would cost jobs, push up prices and stifle output, a handy diversion from the government's embarrassment over the rising unemployment figures.

In the face of independent surveys, Labour has had difficulty arguing that jobs would not be put at risk and Tony Blair, the party's highly effective employment spokesman, has conceded that "econometric models indicate a potential jobs impact".

Minister scorns 'bogus' promise on minimum wage

By Peter Mulligan

LOW INCOME

MICHAEL Howard intensified his attack on the national minimum wage yesterday by deriding as bogus assurances from Labour that its policy would save the taxpayer £1.3 billion a year.

The employment secretary poured scorn on claims by Michael Meacher, shadow social security secretary, that the proposal would lead to higher tax and national insurance revenues and savings in state benefits.

Speaking in an Opposition-inspired debate on low income and quality of life, he alleged that the national minimum wage could cost the taxpayer an extra bill of £10 billion a year. He based the figure on a cost of £8,000 a year for each of the 1.25 million unemployed people, which, according to one independent estimate, the proposal could produce.

Mr Howard's speech irked Labour MPs who tried repeatedly to get him to focus on the present difficulties of unemployment rather than projections which Labour's policy might cause.

Citing a string of different sources indicating that the policy will add to unemployment, he described it as an unsustainable burden, a testament to Labour's unfitness to govern and a product of economic illiteracy. Under questioning, however, he made clear his belief that the policy will lead to about two million more unemployed over time — perhaps two years — and not "immediately".

Joan Lestor, Labour MP for Eccles, said: "Those of us representing constituencies where unemployment has been relentlessly rising over the past few months feel insulted by what he is saying. Unemployment is rising where there is no minimum wage. Why?"

David Winnick, Labour MP for Walsall North, said: "Tens of thousands of jobs have been lost in the west Midlands ... as a direct result of his government's economic policies. The west Midlands needs no lectures from this minister about the loss of jobs."

Mr Meacher, opening the debate, said that the government was so ashamed of its record on low pay that it would do anything to avoid talking about it.

He confirmed his party's resolve to introduce a national minimum wage, saying that poverty pay was now widespread and more than four million people would benefit from the move. It was no wonder, he said, that the Tories were hostile to the idea when only 67 out of 100,000 employers caught underpaying their employees in the past decade had been prosecuted.

Outlining the background to the proposal, he said that the very poorest of the population had received an extra 3p each a week as the result of rising living standards. They were, he said, "an Oxo cube or a packet of matches better off".

Contrasting that with the big salary increases of chairmen of privatised companies, he said: "The mark of a civilised society is that it looks after its weakest members and there is something obscene about a government which encourages differentials of this degree".

He said that there had been a fall in living standards for some in the Tory years with people sleeping rough, beggars in the streets, more families in bed and breakfast accommodation, lone parents with young children short of food and a growth in low-paid, low-skilled and insecure jobs. He said: "Everywhere around us we can see the evidence of the new poverty".

He accused the government of cutting benefit by £30 billion in the past decade — "the biggest redistribution of income from the deprived to the affluent that we have seen in this country in the course of this century". That, he said, exposed as meaningless bombast the prime minister's recent rhetoric about a Britain with opportunities open wide for all. Low incomes severely damaged the quality of life.

Mr Howard sought to turn the tables by describing Labour's "vendetta" against the low paid, including its support for European Community proposals to restrict part-time working.

He said that the national minimum wage would wreck the economy and smash job prospects; and the lowest paid would be the first to suffer. It was the exact opposite, he told MPs, of Tory policies that had created three million jobs since 1983; that had taken Britain to the top of the European growth league in the past decade and that had given Britons "record living standards [and] record prosperity".

Frank Field (Birkenhead, Lab) said that they should give hope to those in the fourth-class carriage of the British train, the carriage that had been disconnected. The people in that carriage shared with ministers a sense of how important it was to be in work, but were humiliated by the level of their wages.

Archy Kirkwood, Liberal Democrat spokesman on social security, said that there was a case for targeting child benefit on the poorest families.

PETER TRIEVNOR



Women on the march: Edwina Currie at a press conference in London yesterday at which the Conservative MP outlined plans for the Today's Woman exhibition that she will open in Bournemouth on September 19

Major pledge on Iraq weapons

The prime minister made clear at question time that Britain would do whatever was necessary to stop Iraq building up nuclear, biological or chemical weapons.

John Major said: "We will ensure, by whatever means it takes, that Iraq can never again build a capacity to threaten her neighbours with nuclear, biological or chemical weapons."

He said that Iraq's uranium-enrichment programme was a clear violation of the nuclear safeguards agreement and of its obligations under the nuclear non-proliferation treaty.

Aid increased

Britain is to provide a grant of £7.5 million in balance of payments aid for Mozambique this financial year, the overseas development administration announced yesterday. The money is for buying essential imports and brings the total balance of payments support from Britain to £58.5 million since 1985.

New peer

Professor Colin Renfrew, Disney Professor of Archaeology and Master of Jesus College, Cambridge university, was introduced in the Lords as Lord Renfrew of Kaimsthorn and took his seat on the Conservative benches.

Road safety

Research has shown that "traffic calming" measures such as road humps can reduce casualties in residential areas by 13 per cent, Christopher Chope, roads and traffic minister, said in a written reply.

Parliament today

Commons (2.30): Questions: environment. Northern Ireland motions. Lords (2.30): Dangerous dogs bill, committee.

Unions raise £4m to help Labour fight election

By Philip Bassett, Industrial Editor

TRADE UNIONS

TRADE unions have raised £4 million to help the Labour party to fight the forthcoming general election, and Labour's biggest union supporter, the transport workers, pledged yesterday more money to enable the party to meet its election target of £7 million.

Labour's union fund-raising was criticised by the government yesterday in advance of new criticism of Labour-union links to be launched today by Michael Howard, the employment secretary. His attack is timed to coincide with the demonstration of the links provided by a speech by Neil Kinnock, the Opposition leader, at the TGWU's biennial conference in Blackpool.

Ron Todd, TGWU general secretary and chairman of Trade Unionists for Labour, the party's main union organisational and fund-raising body, dismissed in advance the findings of a Gallup poll on Labour-union links, to be published by Mr Howard this morning. The poll will show overwhelming public opposition to provisions such as the 90 per cent union block vote at Labour party conferences and the 40 per cent of votes held by unions in the electoral college to choose the party leader. Mr Howard will also attack places for unions on up to 100 quangos Labour is pledged to create.

Mr Todd said: "Mr Howard is running scared, and he has got to find some division between the trade unions and the Labour party".

He said unions' political funds were strong. According to latest available figures, union political fund income from members was £14.6 million in 1989, an increase of a fifth on the previous year.

Mr Todd promised to make available to Labour if necessary the £3 million now in the TGWU's political fund. He said: "When the election comes, I do not want to be the richest man in the cemetery. I do not want to be holding back any resources at all." Conservative party managers are aiming to raise £20 million to fund the Tory campaign.

Under changed Labour party rules, a proportion of unions' affiliation fee income goes automatically to a general election fund. The change was introduced to try to avoid last-minute panics over money by smoothing out union fund-raising.

Of each £1.45 per member paid annually to Labour by affiliated unions, 55p goes to an election fund. At 38 per cent of the total fee, that has risen sharply over the past three years, from 20 per cent when the rule change was introduced in 1989.

The unions are confident about reaching the £7 million target for Labour, even though they are collectively in overall deficit of spending over income of about £41 million.

The changes in Labour's rules were introduced after an embarrassing £1.2 million shortfall in the unions' fund-raising for the party at the last election. Having promised to collect £4.9 million, the unions delivered only £3.7 million.



Victory smile: Neil Kinnock greeting Peter Kilfoyle, Walton by-election winner, at the Commons

Party takes prize Militant scalp

By Philip Webster, Chief Political Correspondent

LABOUR PURGE

LABOUR has claimed a prize scalp in a new purge against Militant in London.

Among six members from Tower Hamlets, London, expelled over the past two days by the party's national constitutional committee for membership of Militant was Tony Cross, said to be the leading light behind the *Militant* newspaper around which the Trotskyite sect's activities are organised.

The committee was told by Labour officials that Mr Cross is effectively the editor of the newspaper, although that official title is held by Peter Taaffe, one of Militant's best known figures. The other five expelled were Dave Fryatt, Dave Farrer, Matthew Wrack, Lesleigh Woodburn and Clive Heemskerk.

Labour is also about to start a new wave of expulsions of party members in Liverpool who backed Lesley Mahmood, the broad-left candidate in the Walton by-election.

Young turn to the civil service

By Richard Ford, Political Correspondent

THE civil service is facing an increase in applications for jobs as the recession forces the private sector to cut recruitment and highlights the advantages of greater job security.

Applications for Whitehall's fast stream have risen by 64 per cent during the past year, confirming officials in their view that it will be easier to recruit people to the service this year and next.

This year, 7,900 people applied for 170 posts in the home civil service, the diplomatic service, and the European fast stream compared with 4,800 who went for the same number of jobs last year. Elsewhere, the service is being inundated with replies to advertisements and two months ago received 11,000 replies to advertisements for 45 factory inspectors. The recruiters had expected a maximum of 5,000 applicants.

Although the effect of the recession is encouraging people to consider the civil service rather than the private sector, something deeper may be at work. The huge increase in applications may indicate that, after years when working for the public service was compared unfavourably with the private sector, the tide is turning.

Some Whitehall officials claim to have detected a change in attitude, although others remain sceptical.

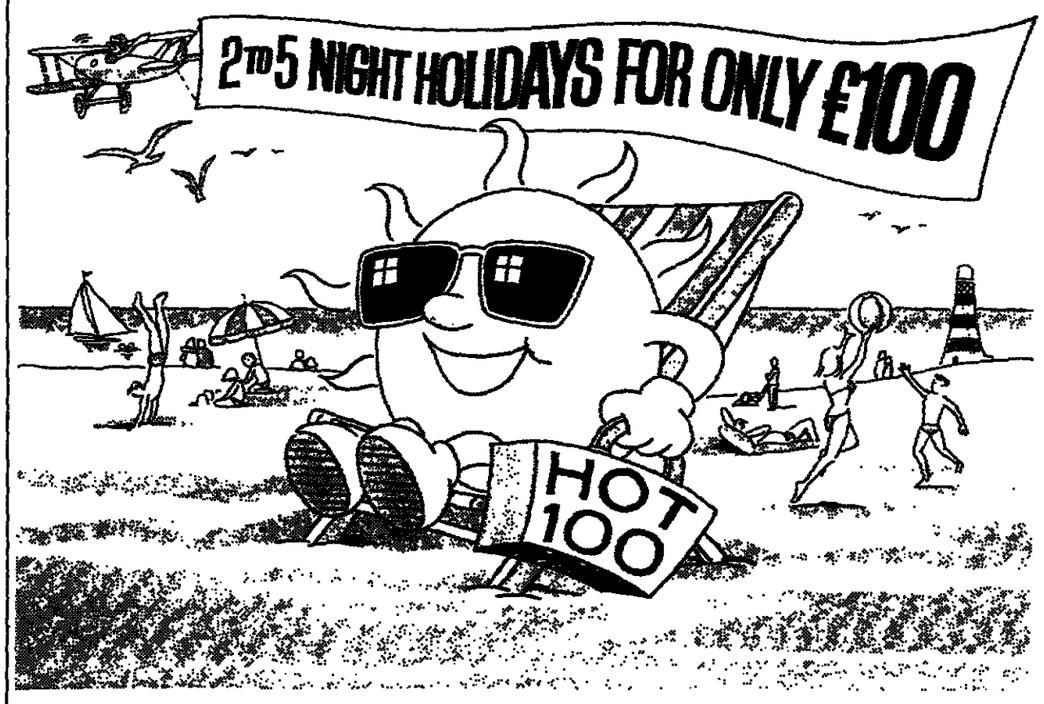
John Holroyd, a member of the Civil Service Commission with responsibility for recruitment into the fast stream, said: "I have a feeling that there is a shift taking place in people's approach to work. I think there is a long-term swing in regard to the public service, with people seeing it as a job worth doing. Quite a number of younger people, applying for the civil service, say that they want to do jobs working for the common good."

He believes that changes in the monolithic nature of the civil service, with the creation of semi-autonomous agencies, are also helping to attract applicants by making Whitehall appear less forbidding to final-year students. In a series of initiatives aimed at "de-mystifying" Whitehall, the commissioners have produced pamphlets this year explaining how the civil service selection board operates and a booklet with a complete qualifying test for fast-stream appointments.

The 22-page booklet contains seven different tests designed to measure verbal, numerical and reasoning skills judged essential for entrants expected to rise to the top of the civil service. Explaining the need to provide an example of the type of tests an undergraduate would face, Mr Holroyd said: "The civil service has traditionally been seen as difficult to get into and when people did get in, it was seen as very bureaucratic without the challenge and excitement of the private sector. We want to take the mystery out of the process so that any undergraduate knows what to expect when he comes to the exam."

Welcoming the efforts being made by the civil service, Norman Lloyd, director of careers service at Manchester university, said that they had made great efforts to stimulate interest in jobs in Whitehall but he emphasised that they must highlight the opportunities for graduates entering at the lower level of executive officer. However, he had doubts about whether a change was yet taking place in attitudes towards the public sector.

"We would need more evidence to say whether there is such a change, but maybe there are more undergraduates looking at the public sector now that it seems the private sector is not going to be quite so stable."



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Opposition protests as emir opens Kuwait assembly

From MICHAEL KULI IN KUWAIT

SHEIKH Jaber Ahmed al-Sabah, the emir of Kuwait, opened the first post-Gulf war session of his country's National Council yesterday against a background of opposition allegations that his ruling family is trying to perpetuate a sham democracy.

The 75-member council, set up shortly before the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait has no legislative powers. A third of the members were appointed by the emir and a pro-democracy opposition movement boycotted the June 1990 elections for the other 50 seats.



On alert: one of the emir's guards on duty yesterday

A coalition of seven opposition groups said on Monday that, by reviving the council, the Sabah family wanted to hold on to power against the will of the people.

"It is doing no more than adopting a democratic slogan void of democratic content," they said. They declared the council unconstitutional and demanded the rapid return of an independent, directly elected parliament.

But Sheikh Jaber told the council it had a vital role to play ahead of full democratic elections, promised for October 1992, and the return of a national assembly with legislative powers. "We have much to do after the liberation ... to return Kuwait to the way it was or better," he said in his inaugural speech.

The session took place under tight security at the Kuwait municipality building. Sheikh Saad al-Abdallah al-Sabah, the prime minister and crown prince, attended with members of his cabinet and briefed the council on his government's political, economic and military plans. "We will build a strong army to defend our country and will not hesitate to make agreements with our friends and brotherly nations to ensure the security of Kuwait," he said.

Most of the council's proposals appear to offer handouts from the public purse. The agenda includes proposals to reduce charges for water and electricity, to ease visa requirements for servants brought in from abroad and even to give every Kuwaiti household up to 20,000 dinars (£35,000) in cash.

The government is keen to lure citizens back from abroad to revive the economy. The opposition claims the government is trying to buy the loyalty of its citizens.

● **Nicosia:** A marxist Palestinian leader has warned Kuwait's ruling family that Palestinians will retaliate "with all means" if it does not stop persecuting them. The situation has "exceeded all limits and we cannot remain with folded hands", George Habash, leader of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, told a rally in Damascus, the Syrian capital.

Yassir Arafat, the leader of the Palestine Liberation Organisation, accusing Kuwait of persecuting Palestinians, has appealed to the United Nations and other international organisations to put pressure on the emirate's leaders, but Mr Habash's warning was the strongest so far by any Palestinian leader. *(Reuter)*

Bush may still act against Saddam

From SUSAN ELLICOTT IN WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON is maintaining its threat of further military action against Iraq after reports from American officials of a credibility gap between a statement by President Saddam Hussein on the amount of nuclear material Iraq possesses and their own estimates.

Officials here say they believe the Iraqi government has produced enough nuclear fuel, through an out-dated and expensive technique of enriching uranium, to build at least one nuclear device. One official, quoted in *The New York Times*, said that a report on Monday by Saddam to the United Nations "severely underestimates" Iraq's secret production. Baghdad said it had made only 1 lb of enriched uranium.

The Bush administration's estimate excludes the estimated 100 lbs of highly enriched uranium already listed by the UN for disposal under the Gulf ceasefire. About 55 lbs are believed to be enough for a bomb.

President Bush used evidence of Iraq's capability to develop a nuclear bomb to argue that the allies should use force against Iraq after the invasion of Kuwait. He may now use US estimates of Iraq's uranium production to back up his threat to strike against suspected production sites unless Baghdad opens them to inspectors.

China's pet lovers lead a dog's life

From CATHERINE SAMPSON IN PEKING

CHINESE animal lovers, ordered to "bludgeon your dog to death", have been *forced into hiding their pets* in attics or fleeing with them into the countryside to escape the police.

The canine ban in the cities is in force because about 5,000 people die of rabies each year. Health concerns aside, however, communists also condemn pet dogs as the accoutrements of a *bourgeois liberal* lifestyle.

Now Xing Lianjiu is bringing dogs in China out of hiding by putting them in cages instead. Mr Xing used to think dogs were good for nothing but a splash of soy sauce. Then he discovered that, with a little help from his friends the police, he could make money. He opened the "Shenzhou doggy park", China's first, in a village about 40 miles north of Peking.

Mr Xing has no shortage of dogs, because the police supply him with those they have seized during raids. Given the choice between seeing their dog beaten to death with an iron bar in front of their eyes or letting the police hand it over to Mr Xing, most Chinese have not difficulty in deciding.

"Some former owners come to visit their dogs here," said Mr Xing. "They bring titbits for their pets to eat, and they cry when they have to leave." For the equivalent of about 10p, they can take their dog for a ten-minute walk. *But coachloads* of non-owners also come to the dog park, paying about 30p each to gather around the caged dogs and tease them mercilessly. They watch an alsatian, purchased from the police, leap through hoops, then file past a tableau in which a Tibetan mastiff plays "dog king", sitting panting thirstily on a throne, tied so tightly that it cannot lie down.



Canine fugitives: animals in a Peking refuge, similar to that run by Xing Lianjiu, sheltering from the official squads which patrol China and kill all unlicensed dogs

Mr Xing, aged 42, used to be a driver. He has alcohol on his breath and carries a white portable phone. "Dogs *are here to serve man*," he said. "And some dogs serve man by becoming meat." But he says these days he reveres the souls of dogs too much to eat them.

Besides, they make more money alive than dead. The real money-spinner is Mr Xing's breeding centre, a mile down the road from the park. He said most of the puppies would be exported, but admitted that some were sold locally.

Mr Xing said that, when Chinese come to him to buy a dog, "I don't ask who they are, and I don't want to know." Officially, police only license guard or performing dogs and confiscate or kill the rest. Peking residents say that if you can bribe the police, or are a high official, a blind eye is turned.

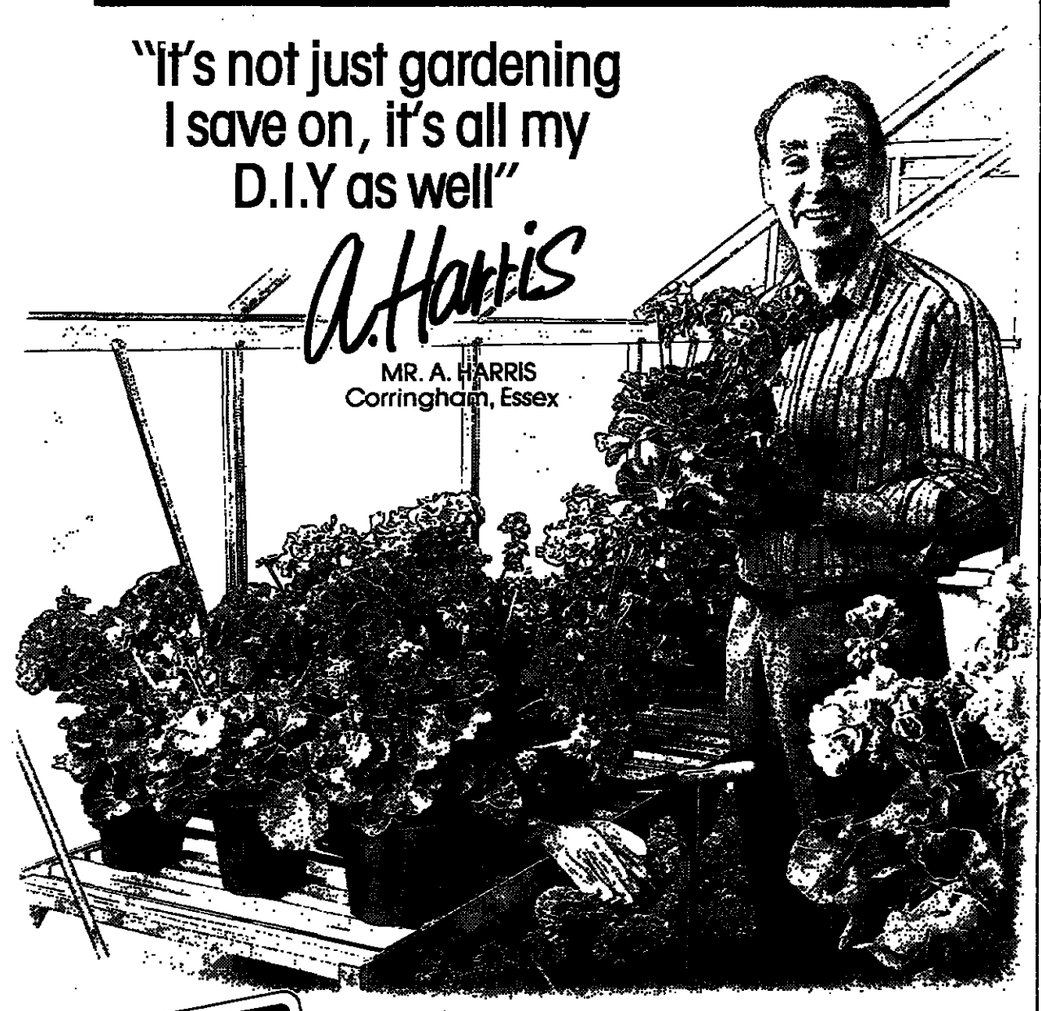
Meanwhile, Zhao Ziyang, ousted as party leader in 1989, may have discovered that a man's best friend is not his comrade. It is whispered that he can be spotted early in the morning escaping from virtual house arrest to walk his two dogs. He always was accused of being a bourgeois liberal.

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Hurd sees township of strife

From GAVIN BELL IN DURBAN

DOUGLAS Hurd, the foreign secretary, gained a new perspective on political violence in South Africa yesterday during an unscheduled visit to a Zulu community ravaged by years of strife. He had been touring some of the worst trouble spots in Natal by helicopter when he ordered his pilot to land at Inanda, a township 20 miles north of Durban.

Nervous security men scanned the vista of matchbox houses and squatters' shacks for signs of danger, but those most at risk were children who scampered within a few feet of the helicopter's rotor.

Mr Hurd strode towards the shanty town to meet some of its residents. After conversing with men whose shacks had been burned down in recent attacks, he concluded that more than party politics was involved. "Obviously there is a struggle for power going on in these hillsides, and for protection money. They may be using political labels, but basically it is a struggle for territory and power," he said.

A climate of fear pervades the area in the wake of recurring clashes between militant supporters of the Inkatha Freedom Party and sympathisers of the African National Congress.

Mr Hurd perceived an urgent need for funds to improve the squalid living conditions, which he said should come principally from local and national government resources. However, foreign investment was also required, he said. He then returned to Durban to meet Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi, the Inkatha president and chief minister of the KwaZulu tribal homeland.

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Amnesty finds rising tide of rights abuse

By MICHAEL BINYON, DIPLOMATIC EDITOR

MORE than half the world's governments continued last year to torture, murder and unlawfully imprison tens of thousands of people, despite lip service now paid around the globe to human rights, says Amnesty International.

The annual report of the London-based human rights group also found that more *than 100 governments* tortured or ill-treated prisoners, thousands of people "disappeared" or were executed without due legal process in 29 countries, and death sentences were handed down or carried out in 90 countries.

Despite political changes marking greater respect for human rights, symbolised by the release of Nelson Mandela in South Africa and the fall of the Berlin Wall, human rights violations often worsened in 141 countries. Mass executions and torture followed Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, and highlighted earlier failures by other governments to tackle Iraq's poor record in the past.

"We have seen human rights often take a back seat to trade or political concerns and become the casualty of political expediency," Amnesty said. The abuses committed by Iraq made headlines, but serious violations in Burma, Chad, China, Colombia, Mali, Syria and Turkey received less publicity.

Africa had a dismal record. In Chad the outgoing government's final act was to order the killing of at least 300 political prisoners. In Liberia, army and rebel forces executed thousands of people during the civil war, with most victims targeted because of their ethnic origins. The greatest number of deaths under torture was reported in Mauritania, but torture was routine against political prisoners elsewhere.

Asia also presented a picture of "disturbing human rights violations", with abuse on a massive scale in India, Sri Lanka, Burma, the Philippines, China and Pakistan. In Sri Lanka the security forces still disposed of bodies secretly, it said. In India, an unprecedented rise in violence and killings by separatist groups was accompanied by politically motivated killings by government forces. Amnesty said. *At least 10,000* political prisoners were held, mostly without charge.

In the Philippines more than 50 people "disappeared" after being detained by government forces, including two women whom the authorities denied holding but were found in military custody by two visiting Amnesty representatives. In China thousands of pro-democracy protesters arrested in 1989 were still detained without charge or trial. Amnesty recorded 750 firing squad executions in 1990, the highest number since 1983.

Disappearances and illegal executions were also widespread in Latin America, especially in Colombia and *Peru. Children* were gunned down by death squads in Guatemala and Brazil.

In the Middle East, Amnesty deplored the muted world reaction to hundreds of executions in Iran. In Israel and the occupied territories about 25,000 Palestinians were arrested.

Amnesty's list of abuses in Europe was less horrific. But it said at least 600 political prisoners were still held in Albania at the end of the year.

Even in western Europe, Amnesty found evidence of police ill-treatment in Britain, Greece, Austria, France, Italy, Portugal and Spain and the jailing of conscientious objectors in France, Switzerland and Greece. In its campaign against capital punishment, Amnesty said 2,300 people were on death row in more than half the American states.

Student leader arrested

Seoul — South Korea has arrested Kim Ching Sik, a radical student leader accused of leading anti-government riots that plunged the country into turmoil earlier in the summer, a security service spokesman said.

About 50 students threw a dozen petrol bombs at a police station in the southwestern city of Kwangju to protest against his detention, the Yonhap news agency said.

He was captured with seven others in a hideout in southern Seoul after a month-long search. He will be charged with violating national security law by plotting to send two Seoul students to North Korea. *(Reuter)*

Round trip

Sydney — A Cuban refugee, Francisco Vazquez, has spent five months being shuttled around international airports, including that in Cuba, trying to find a home, has returned to Australia, which deported him in February after he had served 18 months in prison for assault. He has been sent back to jail. *(Reuter)*

Glass-eye clue

Madras — Indian investigators hunting a one-eyed Sri Lankan rebel they believe planned Rajiv Gandhi's assassination in May, say they have found the suspect's hideout, *which contained* a powerful radio and a glass eye. The suspect, however, had fled, they told a court in Tamil Nadu. *(Reuter)*

Cold comfort

Lafayette, California — The head ice cream taster for the Dreyer's Grand Ice Cream company, John Harrison, has *had his tongue insured for $1 million (£625,000)* by the firm because they value his taste buds so much. *(AP)*

Angola slowly gets to grips with peace

From DALE LAUTENBACH IN LUANDA, ANGOLA

SINCE the signing on May 31 of the formal ceasefire between the government of the Popular Movement for the Liberation of Angola (MPLA) and the rebel National Union for the Total Independence of Angola (Unita), there has been little news apart from the slow and unspectacular administrative arrangements made by the two groups in the presence of the American, Portugese and Soviet observers provided for in the peace deal.

But the real story in Angola for the past several weeks has been about the psychology of the moment: the shift in the national mind from war to peace. Crazy and chaotic, Luanda is a desperately run down town but seductive still in its potential beauty. Luandans have begun making their way in a new and as yet ill-defined system muddling towards a market economy. Anyone with a lorry which *still runs is out on the main* roads newly cleared of mines and buying produce for sale in the capital. There is a vital spirit in the chaos.

Much in the country remains deeply abnormal, however, and there is no better way to experience the divisions within the society than to travel from Luanda to Jamba, the Unita stronghold.

I arrived directly from Luanda with the Joint Political-Military Commission of senior Unita and MPLA officials and the overseas observers, but our passports still had to be stamped in the modest hut that is "Jamba international airport". The MPLA men were not forthcoming on the subject of how they felt setting foot for the first time in Jamba, which for so long had represented everything that was the enemy, the "puppet of the white man", as Unita was known because of its alliance with South Africa and the United States.

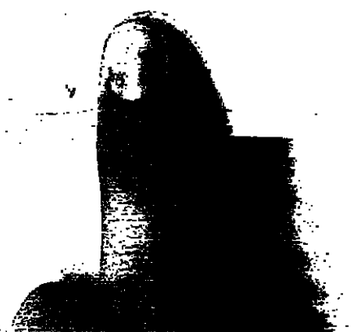
In contrast to Luanda, Jamba, a bush place of sand roads and rudimentary huts, offers a vision of organisation and planning rigid enough to call to mind Orwell and thought control. You are escorted by smiling "protocol hosts" in suits and by elegant hostesses wearing delicate heels in the deep sand. You cannot go anywhere alone.

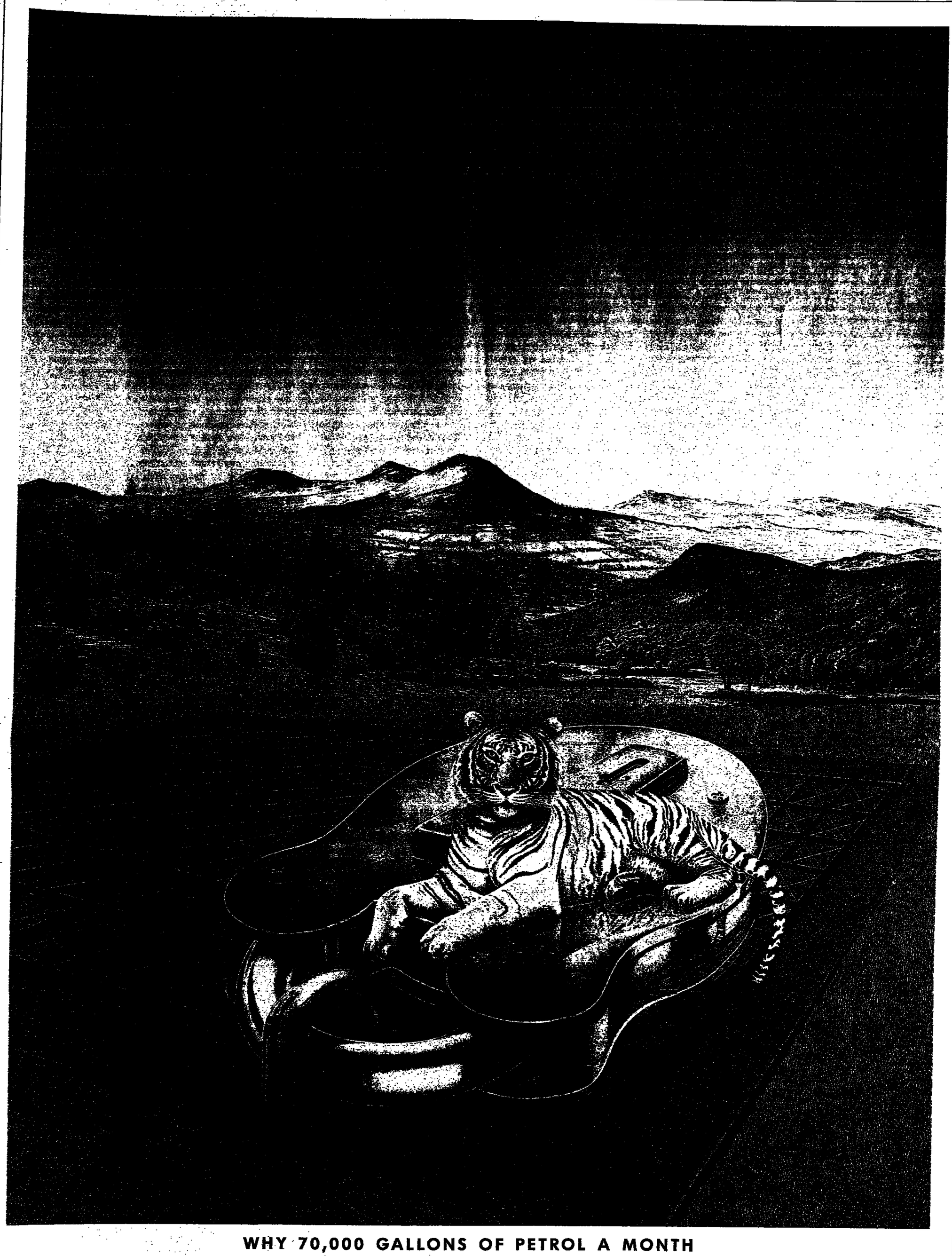


Savimbi: drawing roars from the crowd at rally

When leaders of the political-military commission addressed a crowd of thousands gathered at the open stadium, there was attentive silence but no applause. When Dr Jonas Savimbi, the Unita leader, rose to speak, the crowd roared. Characterised for so long as communist bogeymen and Cold War puppets, the MPLA never achieved the sort of rigid socialist ideals on display in Jamba.

Then the dancing started. And it is just as well Angolans like a party, for, if they are to build a single national home, these two very different societies born of war are going to have to find common ground somewhere.





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Tension mounts in Croatia amid doubts over peace accord

From TIM JUDAH IN OSIJEK, EASTERN CROATIA

WITH officials accusing the federal army of continuing to deploy troops in Croatia, there was deep pessimism in the republic yesterday over the peace accord for Yugoslavia agreed with a group of European Community foreign ministers on Sunday.

As EC observers arrived in Slovenia to monitor the accord, Branimir Glaves, the local head of the paramilitary National Guard in Osijek, the capital of Slavonia in eastern Croatia, said that, far from withdrawing to barracks, there had been 12 reports of military movement in his region between midnight and early yesterday afternoon. He said that a policeman and a national guardsman had been shot dead, three others had been wounded in clashes and two were missing.

A tense Mr Glaves also claimed that the Yugoslav army had been secretly transporting Chetniks, the Serb militiamen Croatia claims are preparing to create a greater Serbia which would include areas of Croatia with a large Serb population.



Tudjman: advisers do not expect peace plan to hold

In Zagreb, the Croatian capital, yesterday, Onecin Cvitan, the minister of the interior said: "The army's movements in Slavonia are part of a psychological war." Officials denied a report by the Tanjug news agency that Croatian forces had fired mortars over the Danube at army units in Serbia.

Croatian radio also reported that army tanks had blockaded the police station in Glina, south of Zagreb, scene of recent clashes between Croatian security forces and local ethnic Serb militiamen.

In another report which bodes ill for the survival of the European peace initiative, the mayor of Osijek, Zlatko Kramaric, said that some 4,000 people, both Croats and Serbs, had fled their homes in the Osijek village suburb of Tenja in the days before and just after a violent clash there between Croatian security forces and Serb militia men on Sunday.

Red Cross officials said that while they had only registered 467 refugees, Mr Kramaric's figure of 4,000 was possible, because not everone had needed to report to them. In the Red Cross's Osijek office, Nedejelka Cvitkovic cried as her children tried on donated clothes. She said: "We were well off, we worked hard for our house and now we have nothing. I never believed these things would happen in Tenja."

Darko Bekic, a senior adviser to the Croatian president, Dr Franjo Tudjman, said that, despite the arrival of the EC observers, he did not expect the agreement to last long. Referring to Serbian reservists called up by the Yugoslav army, he said: "With 200,000 Serbs waiting to flow over the border we will probably have to fight, and 20,000 to 30,000 will have to die before Europe realises what it has to do, which is to send in United Nations blue helmets or a Nato rapid deployment force."

Clashes have been common in eastern Croatia for several months as local Serbs say that they would rather live in a greater Serbia than an independent Croatia. Croat officials say they are terrorised by Chetniks but nobody in a Serbian village will admit that he has seen one.

Over the past two months Croatia has been attempting to build up an efficient fighting force which would parallel Slovenia's highly trained territorial defence units. Croatia's own territorials were disarmed by the Yugoslav army last year, but its newly created national guard is drawing on that force's 350,000 reserves. At present 70,000 men have been mobilised, but officials admit they do not have enough weapons.

Sources in Osijek said yesterday that, despite the European peace initiative, Croatia had no intention of demobilising its men in Slavonia "until the federal army is back in barracks". In Zagreb, Mr Bekic said that as far as he was concerned there was no need for national guardsmen in eastern Croatia to be demobilised because "we explicitly stated that it was our right to fight and eliminate terrorism".

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Rural Slovenia feeds off fear

From ANNE MCELVOY IN BLED

DRIVING through the valleys and pine forests of northern Slovenia, it is hard to reconcile the reputation of its inhabitants for industry and quiet living and the serene Alpine landscape with what the respected Slovene writer Dusan Jovanovic calls "the fire of a new militarism" in the area.

To find a lakeside road barricaded with logs and a sign declaring "Stop: Mines" in this region near the Austrian border produces the same incredulity as would the discovery that the road from Keswick to Ullswater had been booby-trapped. But the calm is deceptive and the traditional restraint has yielded to a fierceness nourished by rumour.

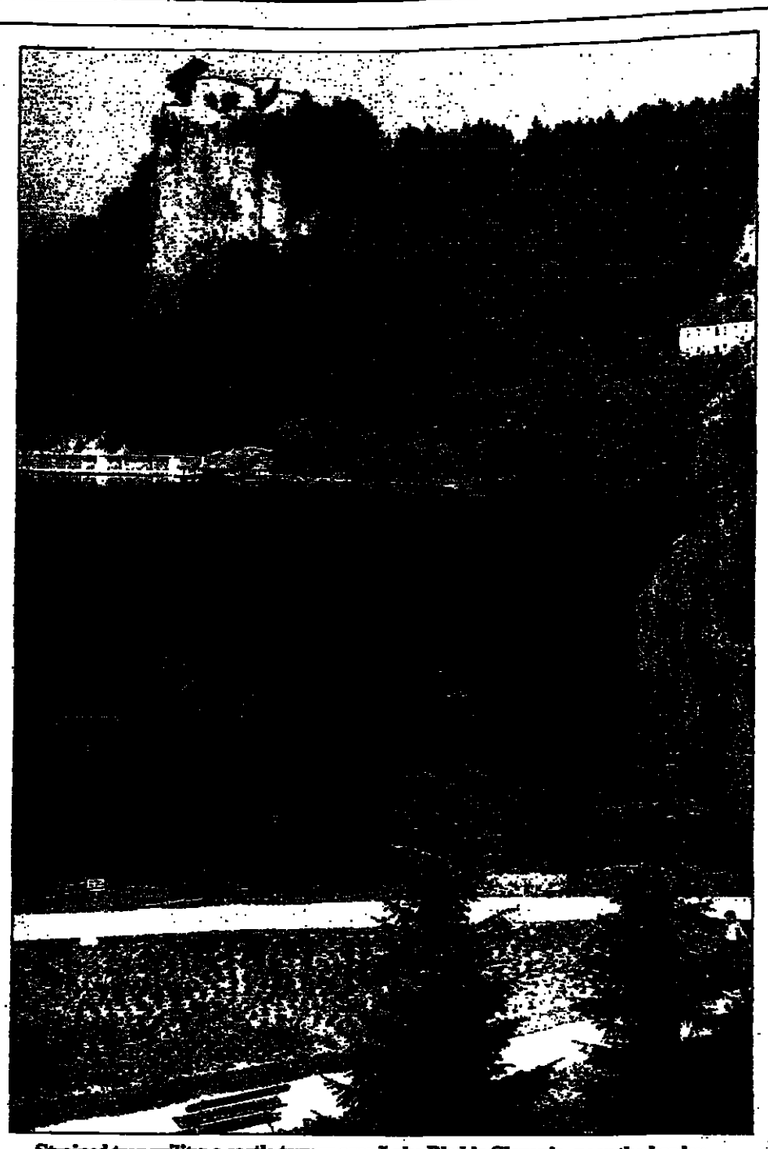
In his village of Bohinjske Bela, one man, fearing an attack by federal troops, launched single-handed preemptive action at the weekend by firing on the garrison with his Kalashnikov. A group of nationalists took to the mountains above the base and began raining shots on it. The assault was stopped only when the army threatened to blow up a weapons depot belonging to the Slovenian territorial defence, which would have destroyed the village.

The hunters who traditionally take to the woods to pursue game and fowl now joke darkly that they are "off to hunt down Serbs instead". The atmosphere is tense and the Belgrade army and government are distrusted.

Mr Jovanovic, a moderate who favours negotiation over armed conflict, blamed "the fabricators of fear and suspicion" on both the Slovene and Yugoslav sides for transforming the political conflict over the breakdown of the federation into "a war of ultimatums: all propaganda and psychology".

His fellow Slovenes, he believes, have adapted rather too readily to life with guns and threats. Hatred of the Serbs is entrenched and the locals are not much keener on the Croats, whom they accuse of cowardice for merely declaring their independence rather than seceding from the federation.

The community feeds off its own bitterness and fear. "I suspect that even when the tourists return we will see a rebirth of provincialism and intolerance," Mr Jovanovic said. "Rural Slovenia will have to adapt to living without the pride that oppression has given us. Otherwise, we risk becoming Europe's absurd little backwater."



Strained tranquility: a castle towers over Lake Bled in Slovenia, near the border with Austria. All seems peaceful, but the road is booby-trapped with mines

Lesson seen for Soviet rebels

From REUTER IN MOSCOW

PRESIDENT Gorbachev yesterday cited the Yugoslav conflict as a warning to separatist Soviet republics to stay within the union.

Speaking at a press conference, he emphasised that the conflict had to be resolved according to the Yugoslav constitution, echoing the argument he uses against separatist Soviet republics. Six of the 15 Soviet republics have demanded independence and at least three — Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania — do not recognise the Soviet constitution.

"Our republics are following events in Yugoslavia very closely," Mr Gorbachev said. "This is one more lesson that everything must be resolved in the framework of reforming our federation, on the basis of the results of the referendum, which preserved and renewed our great union of peoples." This referendum, in March, produced a majority in favour of staying in a reformed Soviet Union. But the separatist republics boycotted it and critics said the wording was heavily biased.

President Gorbachev, fresh from winning endorsement from the main republics for his quest for Western aid next week, said he believed some of the six were prepared to back down and stay in the union. He had information that 70 to 80 per cent of the population in some of the rebel republics would vote to sign the new union treaty he has drafted with the other nine republics.

The Kremlin has taken a similar line to the West on Yugoslavia. Mr Gorbachev said a solution marrying the principles of the inviolability of borders and the rights of minorities had to be worked out through constitutional means.

"We will use our close links with all the peoples of Yugoslavia to ensure that everything happens within the framework of democracy," he said.

"They are a fraternal people to us, we are united by many things, recent and more distant history, especially the battle against fascism," he said, referring to World War Two.



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Balkan turmoil brings France's fears to surface

The turmoil in Yugoslavia has woken the ghosts of history. **George Brock** in Brussels and **Ian Murray** in Bonn examine the diplomatic rumblings

A SMALL, self-conscious band of Croat demonstrators unfurled the red, white and blue flag of their new republic outside The Netherlands foreign ministry in The Hague last Friday. One of their number wore a badge reading "Kiss me: I'm Croatian". Inside, European Community foreign ministers debated the break-up of Yugoslavia, a subject they return to today.

The defiant, little Croatian tableau in The Hague is the stuff of President Mitterrand's nightmares. The declarations of independence by Croatia and Slovenia triggered anxiety in every European capital, but the fear is most keenly felt in Paris. The Balkan turbulence woke the ghosts of history and brought to the surface every suppressed fear which French political elders have harboured about Europe since the end of the Cold War. They fear the nationalist rivalries unstitching Yugoslavia are also pulling France's postwar international strategy apart.

German politicians have turned a deaf ear to French arguments that support for the Slovenia and Croatia secessions will have catastrophic repercussions, not least in the Soviet Union. The correspondent of *Le Monde* in Bonn reported Germany's attempt to shift the EC towards favouring the seceding republics with an almost audible shudder. In Germany and Austria, he said, people do not talk about Ljubljana and Zagreb but about Laibach and Agram, as the cities were known under the Austro-Hungarian empire. He gave his readers another *frisson* by recalling that the nazis had intended to set up a puppet Croatian state when they invaded the region in 1939.

German unification last year was watched with alarm in Belgrade. History has taught the Serbs to be fearful. General Veljko Kadijevic, the Yugoslav defence minister, had compared German backing for the rebel republics to the creation of the puppet states by the nazi regime. "What they could not achieve through war then, some countries are now achieving through their puppets." His views were summed up by the army magazine, *Narodna Armija*, with the headline "Germany wants the Balkans". The argument is that if new but impoverished mini-states are formed, they will naturally turn to Germany as a protector against Serbia.

The German government is dismayed by such suspicions about its intentions. Hans-Dietrich Genscher, the German foreign minister, intervened not as a German but in his capacity as chairman of the new crisis management unit of the Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe.

The Yugoslav problem has revived fears about Germany's role in Europe. When the Berlin Wall fell in 1989, France's political class first froze in terror at the prospect of German reunification. But an old worry that a united Germany would lose interest in helping to unify Western Europe and build a new sphere of influence in Eastern Europe seemed to be mistaken as



Genscher: intervened in dispute in CSCE role

Chancellor Helmut Kohl insisted on accelerating moves towards a federal Europe.

Nonetheless, the need to control German power has dominated France's postwar policies. Previous attempts at containment had failed: the second world war was Germany's third invasion of France in a century. The French architects of postwar reconstruction knitted the French and German economies so closely, and then wove them into the embryonic European Community, that war became unthinkable.

They also hoped that Germany, guilty and divided, would remain France's deferential junior partner in European diplomacy. But the changes have challenged almost every assumption on which France's postwar identity has been built.

EC plea to act in unison

Strasbourg — Hans van den Broek, the Dutch foreign minister, told the European Parliament yesterday that the 12 EC states must retain a united voice in their approach to the turmoil in Yugoslavia (Tom Walker writes). He said: "There is a clear-cut position of the Twelve. All parties should restrain from unilateral acts."

His comments reflected widespread concern — in particular from France — that Germany is trying to push the break-up of Yugolavia with dangerous haste. Both Helmut Kohl, the chancellor, and Hans-Dietrich Genscher, his foreign minister, have put aside talk of the importance of the stability of Europe to emphasise the absolute right of Croatia and Slovenia to self-determination.

Mr van den Broek clearly wants to rein in German sentiment lest it becomes the vanguard of the EC's fragile diplomacy attempts. "If there hadn't been one European voice so far there would never have been the progress we have achieved," he said. He denied reports from Slovenia's foreign ministry that nine EC nations favoured immediate recognition of the republic in the event of further attacks from Yugoslav forces.

A delegation of 15 officials left The Hague yesterday to head the EC's monitoring task force in Yugoslavia. The unarmed force will be based in Slovenia.

President's call

Tirana — President Alia of Albania has called on world leaders at the United Nations and in Europe to prevent bloodshed in the Yugoslav province of Kosovo, which has a large population of ethnic Albanians, the official news agency ATA reported. *(Reuter)*

Appeal to bank

Belgrade — Yugoslavia's federal government has urged the country's central bank to resume ties with the breakaway republics of Croatia and Slovenia, the Tanjug news agency said. The board of governors of the National Bank is to meet today to consider the government's request. *(Reuter)*

Gorbachev wins backing at home for G7 debut

From MARY DEJEVSKY IN MOSCOW

ONE week before he sets out to meet leaders of the Group of Seven industrialised nations in London, President Gorbachev has mounted an elaborate show of domestic unity and concord to convince foreign leaders that he heads a viable state. Speaking at a press conference in Moscow yesterday, held jointly with Felipe González, the Spanish prime minister, Mr Gorbachev made clear that he hoped that the G7 would begin to integrate the Soviet Union into the world economy.

Suggesting that the West was not responding as positively as he had hoped, Mr Gorbachev said that the political basis had been laid, but "much remains to be done in return". The Soviet objective, he said, was "a new climate of economic relations with other states" based on "mutually beneficial co-operation".

Enhancing the impression of domestic accord, Mr Gorbachev's erstwhile rival, Boris Yeltsin, said that he would support Mr Gorbachev in national presidential elections "as long as he continues to pursue his present course of respecting the sovereignty of the republics". Mr Yeltsin, who will today be ceremonially inaugurated as Russia's first directly elected president, was speaking to journalists after his own meeting with Señor González.

Details emerged subsequently of part of the price paid by Mr Gorbachev to buy his show of harmony. The final version of Moscow's "anti-crisis programme", made available to parliamentary deputies yesterday, indicates that the centre has given way on a key point of disagreement with the republics: the system of taxation.

The agreed version of the programme, which comes into effect at once, carries a footnote which allows Russia and the Ukraine, the two largest and richest of the Soviet Union's 15 republics, to set a single tax, an agreed part of which will then be remitted to the central exchequer. Mr Gorbachev had insisted that each republic levy two taxes, a republic tax and a federal tax, to give the centre guaranteed financial support. Mr Yeltsin objected that this would result in Russia receiving only the "leftovers".

The latest edition of the new union treaty had left the question of taxation open, as one of several issues which the nine intending signatories had been unable to agree. Mr Gorbachev said yesterday he still hoped for more signatories to the treaty, which would probably not be signed until September at the earliest.

The "anti-crisis programme" is seen as an exclusively economic document to guide the Soviet Union's transition to a market economy over the next two years. In its final version it has been endorsed by 10 republics, the nine which intend to sign the union treaty — the five Central Asian republics, Russia, the Ukraine, Belorussia and Azerbaijan — plus Armenia.

Yesterday, Mr Gorbachev confirmed that the programme, which includes provision for extensive denationalisation, would form the main plank of his submission to the G7 in London. Another will be the "Window of Opportunity" programme drafted jointly by the Soviet economist, Grigori Yavlinsky, and a Harvard University team. Mr Yavlinsky said when he returned to Moscow from Harvard three weeks ago that he believed the two programmes to be incompatible, but Mr Gorbachev has insisted they can be combined.



Eye on the bull: a man running with the bulls in Pamplona keeps wary watch on one during the rainy third run at the San Fermin fiesta yesterday. A Briton, named as Timothy Abbot, aged 26, twisted his ankle during the event

Ukraine warning on treaty

Kiev — The Ukraine, home to one-sixth of the Soviet population, will back President Gorbachev's visit to London next week for the G7 summit but will still refuse to sign the union treaty "unless our conditions prevail," according to Leonid Kravchuk, the republic's leader (Robert Seely writes).

Mr Kravchuk's warning, at a press conference in Kiev, came a day after President Gorbachev's window-dressing move to present a united front before the Soviet leader travels to London. "The centre should listen to the republics, this is commonsense. If not, we will find ourselves another partner," Mr Kravchuk said. It was his bluntest warning yet that a Ukrainian signature on the current union treaty is unlikely.

Mr Kravchuk, who is fast becoming the most significant addition to the list of rebel republic leaders, has staked his political career on signing a union treaty which gives the Ukraine freedom to develop "as a state on a European scale." As it stands, the present draft treaty, which many people here see as being heavily weighted in favour of a strong central power, contradicts the Ukraine's year-old declaration of sovereignty which gives the republic the right to full independence.

Funds diverted

Berlin — Gerald Goetting, aged 68, the former leader of East Germany's Christian Democrats, was given an 18-month suspended prison sentence for embezzlement. The Berlin district court heard that he had diverted party funds to build and extend a luxurious Baltic Sea holiday home. *(Reuter)*

Pay pause

Strasbourg — The European Parliament suspended work for 15 minutes in support of EC staff embroiled in a pay dispute with the 12 member governments. The pause was intended as a signal to the Dutch government that the parliament backs workers' demands for a renewal of the current wage package. *(AP)*

Fly blown

Geneva — United Nations experts say they are winning a battle to wipe out lethal screwworm flies in Libya by air dropping millions of sterile mating insects among them daily. *(Reuter)*

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Dutch to test nerve of Britain

From TOM WALKER IN STRASBOURG

THE new Dutch presidency of the European Community promises to test the nerve of Britain on a number of sensitive issues in the run-in to the Maastricht summit in December.

In outlining the aims of his country's six-month term at the helm of EC politics yesteday, the Dutch foreign minister, Hans van den Broek, indicated that his cabinet colleagues will be pressing for progress on a broad front.

Particularly alarming for the government will be Mr van den Broek's assertion that "the number of decisions by qualified majority voting must be raised, not only for our immediate internal needs but also for longer term goals also".

For the conservatives qualified majority voting has come to mean everything bad in the word federal, and implies an assault on the principle of sovereignty.

Mr Van den Broek said that qualified majority voting could form the democratic bedrock of the Community, helping to bridge the "democratic deficit" between national and European legislatures.

He said that the deepening of European democracy could only be achieved by giving the European parliament more power. "The 12 are really in the throes of negotiating a new constitution," he said.

EC plans radical reform of agricultural policy

By MICHAEL HORNSBY, AGRICULTURE CORRESPONDENT

RAY MacSharry, the European agriculture commissioner, yesterday proposed a radical reform of the European Community's common agricultural policy designed to reduce chronic over-production and improve relations with the community's international trading partners. EC farm ministers are expected to discuss the proposals at a meeting in Brussels next Monday and Tuesday.

The United States and the Cairns group of 14 food-exporting nations are putting intense pressure on the EC to scale down drastically the subsidies paid to farmers, which enable the community to dump its food surpluses on world markets.

These countries are adamant that there can be no agreement on trade liberalisation under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade without a freeing of agricultural goods. The Cairns groups yesterday sent a message underlining their position to the Group of Seven leading industrial nations due to meet in London next week. The Gatt talks broke down in Brussels last December on the farm subsidy issue and have yet to resume.

The main feature of the reform plan is a sharp cut in the guaranteed prices paid to beef, dairy and cereals farmers, which are widely acknowledged to have underpinned chronic over-production, coupled with full compensation for smaller farmers. The commission says this would reduce the budgetary cost of farm support in the long run and curb over-production while preserving the fabric of rural society.

Britain's National Farmers' Union said last night the proposals looked "very similar in philosophy" to those first put forward by Mr MacSharry at the end of last year. "As before the proposals would discriminate against Britain because of the larger average size of our farms and lead to a catastrophic fall in farmers' returns unless the EC farm budget was hugely increased," a spokesman said. The union calculated that the average lowland cattle or sheep farm in England would suffer a 50 per cent drop in income if the MacSharry proposals were adopted. Dairy farms with more than 140 cows could lose 25 per cent of their income and a 100-acre cereal farm was likely to be at least 20 per cent worse off.

The Country Landowners' Association commented: "The common agricultural policy must be changed in a way that will enable European agriculture to have a sound economic base. There is no sense in discriminating against efficient farm units."

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Tibet Buddhism poised for a Siberian revival

From BRUCE CLARK IN ULAN-UDE, SOVIET UNION

MANY people in Buryatia, this remote and scenic territory bordering Mongolia, wonder if Tibetan Buddhism, with its subtle metaphysics and ancient traditions of science and medicine, is about to undergo a spectacular revival in the harsh environment of Siberia and if it will spread from there to European Russia and beyond. The issues arise as Buryatia prepares to receive the Dalai Lama next week and celebrate the 250th anniversary of Imperial Russia's toleration of Buddhism.

The outward resurgence of a religion that has known cruel persecution is tangible enough. Until two years ago, only one *datsan* (Buddhist monastery) was functioning in Buryatia, a territory where, in pre-revolutionary times, virtually every family included one lama.

Now there are at least ten *datsans* in the region, with a new one opening every month. In the serene grassland near Kizhinga, 100 miles east of Ulan-Ude, foundations have been laid for a *suburgan*, a huge shrine to Buddhist doctrine which could attract pilgrims from all Asia. A tiny *datsan* has already been put up at the site, a simple wooden house whose yellow upturned roof is the only clue to the treasure house inside. There, and in a cool Mongolian *yurt* (tent), Lama Tsevan and his 21 novices perform rites in Tibetan — prayers for the sick, commemoration of the dead — for a stream of visitors, some incongruously wearing Soviet army medals.

Another Buryat *datsan* is destined to acquire great spiritual importance if, as seems likely in a few months' time, the authorities transfer to it a particularly sacred sandalwood carving of the religion's founder. The carving, hitherto locked in a disused Christian church, is reputed to have been made in heaven and thence to have flown miraculously to India, China and finally Buryatia.

The handover is only one sign of the dramatic change in attitudes to religion among the regional authorities, who are seeking maximum independence for Buryatia as one of the 16 "mini-republics" within Boris Yeltsin's Russia.

For the authorities, the revival of Buddhist tradition goes hand in hand with the broader renaissance of Buryat culture, closely related to that of Mongolia, which they are now promoting (with considerable help from Ulan Bator) after decades of ruthless Russification.

Buddhist holidays are being marked with unprecedented pomp, and lamas are invited to bless a seemingly endless series of events celebrating local history and culture. But, according to Viktor Pupishev, the most disinguished of several dozen European devotees and scholars of Buddhism who have settled in Buryatia, the outward resurgence in religious practice does not tell the whole story of spiritual life in Buryatia.

Although some have studied in Ulan Bator, and a Buddhist school is being built at the main *datsan*, the level of knowledge of the sacred Tibetan texts among the hundreds of young Buryats who have rushed to put on purple lama's robes is very poor, Mr Pupishev says. Heand some fellow scholars have fed into a data bank all the herbal recipes prescribed by Tibetan medicine, and they plan to set up computerised diagnostic and healing centres, based entirely on ancient Tibetan lore, in Moscow and Kiev.



Dalai Lama: will visit Buryatia next week

Cresson under fire from rights groups on expulsion warning

From PHILIP JACOBSON IN PARIS

EDITH Cresson's turbulent introduction to office continued yesterday as French human rights organisations united in criticism of the her warning that the mass expulsion of illegal immigrants could be on the way.

The prime minister's hint that the government might charter planes to carry unwanted immigrants back to their own countries also came under attack from the left wing of the ruling Socialist party, while the far right accused Mme Cresson of trying to fool people by advocating measures that did little to solve the real problems.

Never afraid to speak her mind, Mme Cresson was in hot water after being interviewed on television. She had argued that French immigration laws had to be respected, raising the possibility that people might be put on special flights home "when justice has decided they have no right to be with us".

Evidently anticipating criticism, Mme Cresson carefully refused to use the word "charter". Unlike package deal tourists, she said, illegal immigrants would be flown out at government expense "and it won't be for holidays".

Although she was adamant that the measures now being considered do not reflect any "drift or skid" to the right by the socialists, her remarks drew a swift rebuke yesterday from the former defence minister, Jean Pierre Chevènement. As the prime minister's special committee on immigration met for the first time, he gave a warning that "the left cannot hope to win elections by trying to outbid the right and extreme right on this issue."



Cresson: Under attack from the left and right

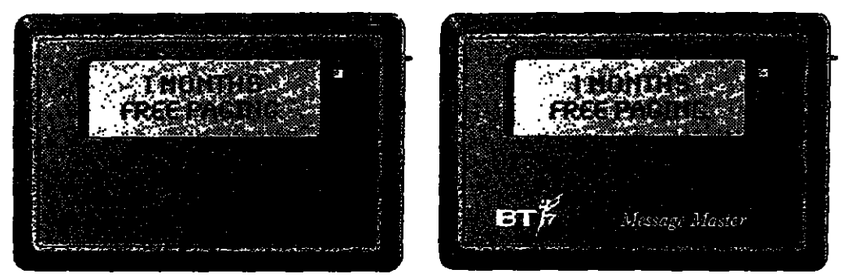
It was crucial, M Chevènement said, to avoid making immigration the scapegoat for everything that is now going wrong in France. Inevitably, Jean Marie Le Pen, the National Front leader, swiftly accused Mme Cresson of setting out to deceive the nation. "While 100 or so immigrants are sent back to a great fanfare of protests in the media, this government will be regularising the position of another 100,000 illegals."

Charles Pasqua, the former conservative interior minister, known for his strong views on keeping immigrants out of France, heaped ironic praise upon Mme Cresson and the socialists for "finally showing some intelligence."

It is hard to believe that Mme Cresson did not expect strong reactions to her remarks at a time when rioting in France's immigrant ghettos has been making front page news for weeks. The very suggestion that charter flights might be used was guaranteed to recall socialist opposition in 1986 to a conservative goverment forced repatriation of illegal immigrants, some handcuffed to their seats on the chartered flight.

● Tokyo: Right-wing Japanese groups intend to decapitate a doll representing Edith Cresson at a rally on Sunday to protest against her claim that Japan used unfair trade policies.

Mme Cresson said recently that Japanese industrialists wanted to conquer the world and charged high prices at home to finance dumping abroad. *(Reuter)*



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Housewife, Cinderella or superstar?

Housewives are said to be outdated, yet Heather Kirby reports, *Good Housekeeping* believes it caters to the modern woman

JULIAN HERBERT



Home team: Sally O'Sullivan, editor in chief of *Good Housekeeping*, with, from left, her nanny, babysitter, daily and her two children

Being "just a housewife" and being proud of housewifery are two very different things. The first is an outmoded concept used by chauvinist men or, according to the director of Relate, women with a "victim mentality". The second belongs to the "new traditionalist" who wants to uphold the home-making values her mother held dear. Or his mother, for although men hardly ever do the upholding, they often have strong inherited beliefs about the way a home should be run. How appreciative they are of what housework entails is usually a crucial element in their partner's thinking about whether it is worth the effort. But is it not astonishing, that in the dying embers of the 20th century, both attitudes are still hot, that the issue of housework has not been reduced to ashes by feminism?

Not according to Sally O'Sullivan, and she should know. A thoroughly modern woman, she is aged 41, married, the mother of two, a son aged nine and a daughter five, and stepmother of a teenage daughter, and she has just been appointed the editor in chief of the apparently old fashioned women's monthly magazine, *Good Housekeeping*.

The very title sounds like an anachronism but the magazine is successful, selling more than 366,000 copies a month, and Ms O'Sullivan, who has also been the editor of *Options* and *Harpers & Queen*, insists it is absolutely right for now. "Everything about *Good Housekeeping* is terrifically Nineties: family and home, quality of lifestyle and the pride of being good and efficient and making it all work is very uplifting." Ms O'Sullivan says. "I would like to think women didn't have any problem being called housewife, but they still do, even the younger ones. It is not so much their problem as the way they are asked. The question will go, 'do you have a job?', to which many will still say, 'no, I'm am just a housewife' because there is still a status problem with it. But I think there is much more pride coming into the role of housewife and I support that totally. I am not for one moment supporting the, as translated, Thatcher view that a woman's place is in the home. It is if you want it to be."

Not least among the reasons for this dawning respect is the working mother's realisation that her lot is often easier than those who do not work outside the home. Like many other professional women, Ms O'Sullivan relies on help inside her home: a nanny, babysitter and a daily. "The single most important thing in a working woman's life is to know that her children and her family life is working. Without that, you simply could not produce at work," she says. "In the periods of time I have had at home, I've always been much more exhausted than when I've gone outside to do my job because you are doing so many different things, none of which ever come to an end. At the end of the day, you have been flat out for 14 hours and you have nothing to show for it. You cannot say 'I bought a fantastic book today and we are publishing it'. There is no specific achievement except you got the house and family through another day."

Ms O'Sullivan was one of the 21 career women invited to a working breakfast last week at the Treasury with Gillian Shephard, a minister of state, to find out how they are finding the economic climate and what the government might be doing to help.

Ms O'Sullivan will take the discussion into the pages of *Good Housekeeping* by asking the magazine's readers what they believe to be the three most important issues the government should tackle. "We have a very valuable resource of 2 million thoughtful readers who are keen to express their opinions," she says. "They are the real backbone of our society, who value the future in terms of their children and are frightened that standards and a certain way of life will be lost unless they chip in. Life is too much of a quicksand at the moment, so much is at risk. Almost one in two marriages breaks down, the countryside is at risk, world peace is at risk, business is at risk. They want to be reassured about traditional values, about things that matter. Today's woman is not trying to be like her mother, she couldn't anyway because of all the things, such as contraception, which have completely revolutionised women's lives. But today's women are the new traditionalists."

There are two types of women to whom a magazine like *Good Housekeeping* appeals: the full-time housewife who uses it as an information resource, and the part-time housewife who squeezes household chores around office hours, but who likes to fantasise about being superwoman. Neither type needs persuading that even menial tasks should be done well. The motto of the Good Housekeeping Institute, which underpins the magazine, is Tried, Tested, Trusted. Recipes are cooked, and eaten, three or four times before they are published, fashion offers washed and worn, white goods are given rigorous testing. The GH book on stain removal is a bestseller.

Although she sees little hope of husbands taking over any more of the burden, and believes women will be better off when they stop banging their heads against that particular brick wall, Ms O'Sullivan does detect a change in perception on the part of employers. "We all know that when a woman takes time out of the workplace her confidence goes down the plug hole but I see this as the decade when women develop their self image," she says. "When I meet captains of industry these days they are far more tuned in to what women who have spent time bringing up a family have to offer."

A WORD ON THE HOME FRONT

JOHN MACK CARTER, the editor in chief of American *Good Housekeeping*: "We never use the word 'housewife'. We prefer home maker because housewife indicates a drudge. Some women over here call themselves home engineer because running a home really requires all the training, talents and skills of an engineer.

"The greatest handicap for women working full-time at home is a lack of interaction with their peers. They get a lack of approval and respect from other women and that divisiveness is increasing. There is still more lip service than genuine recognition of the skills a home maker acquires and probably only about 2 per cent of companies in this country would bother to make anything of them if she made an application for a job. I think it will take another 20 years before we can hope for a change in attitudes."

JUDITH CHAPLIN, the prime minister's political secretary (right): "I didn't mind calling myself a housewife when I was first married and my two daughters were born. Many people did no work when they married and that is still true today. Women choose to be at home with their children and that is a perfectly valid, good system. It is a pity being a housewife is so down-graded because, in order for some women to have high-powered jobs, they have to employ others to do things. I don't think tax incentives are the way forward because of the relatively small sums involved. What will help is more employers offering flexi-time and retraining packages."



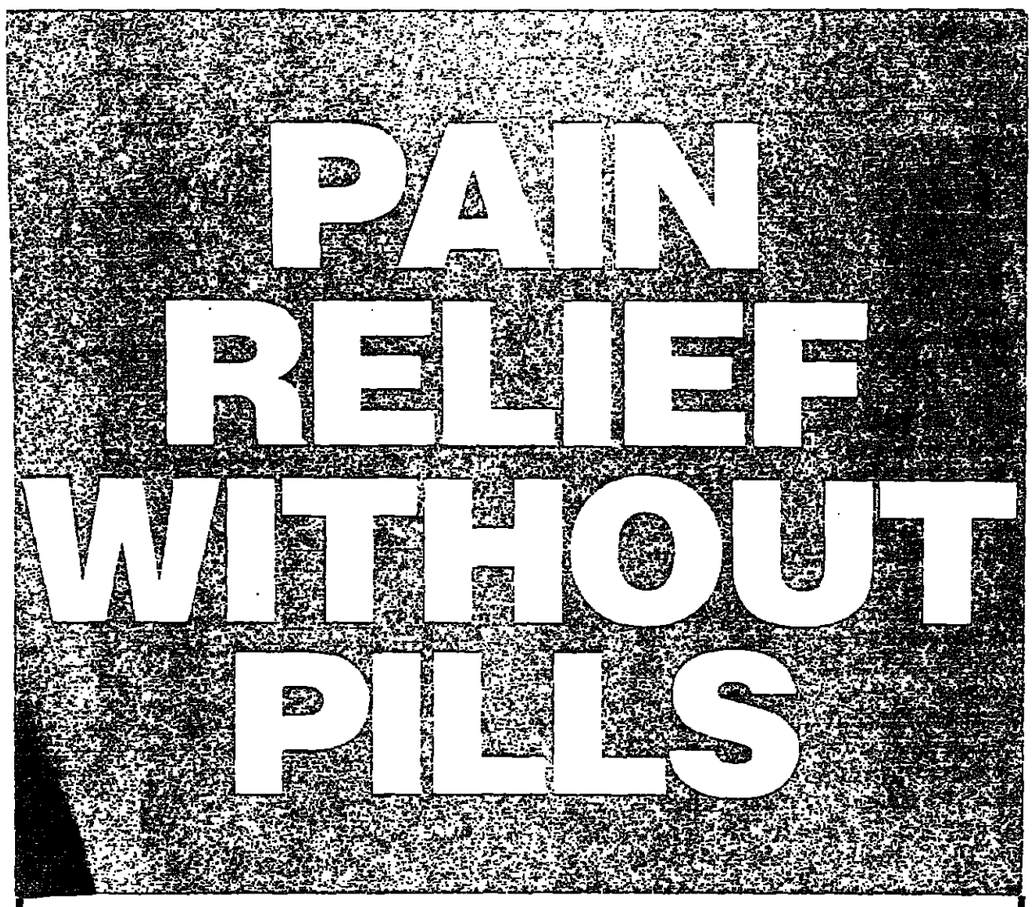
ROS MILES, a sociologist and the author of *Rites of Man*: "I don't think there is such a thing as a housewife, not under 40. They all have to work and even when they have babies they take extremely short breaks. Engels said housework is the most barbaric form of labour and I don't think young women do it any more. No one irons towels, makes little ramekins or polishes their husband's shoes these days. Most housework is Parkinsonian and that is why housewifery became a middle class luxury.

"The demise of the housewife is entirely to be welcomed, because it was a grossly oppressive thing for women to be confined to little boxes like brood mares or hens in a chicken house."

ZELDA WEST-MEADS, the director of Relate: "A woman who describes herself as 'just a housewife' has a victim mentality and she would probably be married to a man who has a similarly negative view of her role as wife and mother. Many women today, though, having spent 20 years looking after the home and family, start new careers in mid life. It is their husbands who can become very depressed at that point. They envy the fact their wives are now feeling full of energy and ready to take up new challenges while they are tired out."

JO RICHARDSON, who would be minister for women in a Labour government: "Because looking after the home and caring for children has traditionally been women's work, it has very low status. The word housewife has acquired almost apologetic overtones and that is a real shame. We need to find a new word, one that combines planning, organisation, patience, and shared slog. But I haven't thought of one yet."

JOANNA FOSTER, chair of the Equal Opportunities Commission: "The word housewife is fascinating because it is in a time warp, but it is such an important word. The housewife is someone whose role and skills are greatly undervalued, above all by women themselves. I go around the country and hear women endlessly saying 'I am only a housewife' really underselling all that it means. Yet it is one of the most complex managerial training jobs there is. I probably once said 'I'm only a housewife', and I had housewife on my passport shortly after I got married, but I certainly want to persuade women today that that attitude is no longer acceptable."



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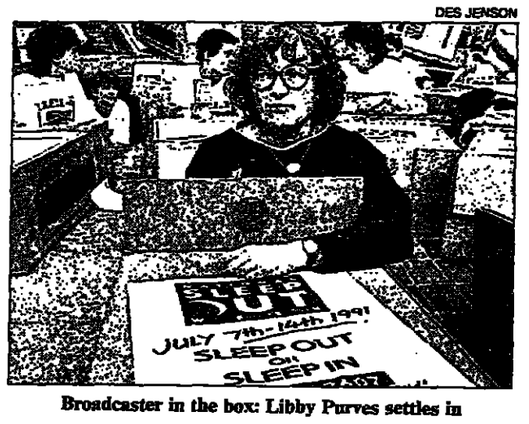
Libby Purves reports on a curious night out in a clean cardboard box

Sleeping with the stars

Peter Bottomley, MP, slept as peacefully as a baby in his Union Jack sleeping-bag, to be roused shortly after midnight by the arrival of Derek Nimmo, offering "British Airways eyepads, anybody?". I was half asleep at the time, and faintly alarmed when Nimmo climbed into his coffin-like cardboard box, because I was convinced there had been a Liberal Democrat MP in it minutes before. But Nimmo's long legs shot to the bottom without eliciting squeals of protest, so Ronnie Fearn must have gone home. He had, to be charitable, slept out in his constituency already. I have never seen anybody so adept at telescoping himself into a cardboard box as Jeremy Irons. You would have said the box was 2ft short, but by 3am only his tweed hat was visible on the pavement. On my left Emma Freud and Janet Suzman showed black and red mops of hair. Snoring gently nearby, as still as an Easter Island statue in a red woolly hat, lay Lord Len Murray.

Forty thousand people sleep on the streets of Britain every night. This week, 50,000 more are doing it to raise money for the second National Sleep-Out Week. Last year it made £250,000 for hostels: this year's aims for £1 million. So on Monday night a curious assortment of "celebrities" was invited to spend a night (in spotlessly clean hi-fi boxes donated by a cardboard company) lying on Westminster cathedral piazza. A few turned up for the photocall and vanished: but most of us, with a confused sense of decency, felt that the least we could do to express human solidarity was to stay put till morning.

DES JENSON



Broadcaster in the box: Libby Purves settles in

It was a curious night. The word had got around, and while the hard core of alcoholic, mentally ill or addicted dossers had drifted or been coaxed away from the flashbulbs, a passionately articulate young group had converged from its regular pitches. One or two of them berated us for being rich, patronising bastards and having better boxes than anyone else. We took it on the chin. A furious man called Stephen from Belfast came to scold Mr Bottomley ("Look, I'm not Robin Day, you can talk truth to me"), but was so charmed by the Conservative MP's willingness to lie beaming and arguing in his box that in the end he brought him a hamburger instead.

"I've been on the street since I was 16 and I left care in Ireland, where I had to 'cos my adopted father got Alzheimer's." said Michelle. "The other night I had a knife put to my throat and my shoes stolen, off me feet. Excuse me if I beg in my sleep." She mimicked herself: "C'n you spare some change please c'n you spare some change . . ."

Her boyfriend said: "It was four months before I could bring myself to beg. But what can you do? You're so dirty you're never going to get a job." "The hostel lets you stay seven days a month," said Michelle. "On the seventh morning you don't want to wake up."

Television crews approached. A reporter in a striped designer suit crouched fastidiously. "Many of these homeless people", she said, "feel it's inappropriate for you to be here." "It's brought you out, hasn't it?" replied Irons crisply. "Were you here last night?" The pointless argument raged. "I'm glad you're here, honest," said Darrell at my shoulder, four years on the streets. "It can't do any harm." The cameras left before they clocked up more overtime, and a man reappeared cautiously in the next archway. "I've a wife and five children up north who think I live in a hotel." His building job pays the mortgage as long as he sleeps out.

Full-time dossers sleep by day for safety. They spent a lot of the night awake and noisy. "No talking after lights out," said Nimmo sleepily. Irons ate a salad roll under his box-flap, and talked kindly to a girl who had walked out on her family after a row. "Look, I've been married years, plenty of times I might have walked out – but you work at it. No relationship is easy. If you have to leave a situation, work things out so that you aren't homeless when you do." Mr Bottomley listened to *Today in Parliament* and enthusiastically reeled off welfare statistics from memory. I fell asleep just as he was saying " . . . 1.4 million people a year contribute to a pregnancy . . ."

In the end we all dozed, the cold striking upwards from the stone and sideways from the wind. The smell of incense crept out under the cathedral door. At half past five I was woken simultaneously by an incontinent pigeon and a reporter from Greater London Radio. Mr Bottomley sat up. "I slept like a baby – sleep an hour, cry an hour . . . that's a Norman Willis joke." Michelle and her friends laughed at us, but not unkindly.

& BRIEFLY

Shade maker

SHADE can be hard to come by in the garden if you do not have a good selection of perfectly-sited, mature trees. So many garden umbrellas are small, tacky-looking things that bump your head when you stand up from the picnic table and will not shade your entire body if you are reclining. The Colonial Shade garden umbrella measures 12ftx12ft and stands 8ft 11in high, excluding its metal or concrete bases. It is covered with thickly woven, treated white canvas on a base of seasoned eucalyptus hardwood (from an approved, renewable source, its distributors say). It costs £595 including VAT, delivery on the UK mainland and two bases. A smaller, round version is available for £295. Details and brochure from Oryx Trading, 33 Cornwall Gardens, London SW7 4AP (071-938 2045).

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VICTORIA MCKEE

BRIEFING

Lord of the reels

A GERMAN has been appointed to one to Britain's top cinema jobs. Jürgen Berger, 40, becomes the boss of the National Film Theatre and the Museum of the Moving Image when the British Film Institute's Leslie Hardcastle retires in December. At present Berger is deputy director of the Deutsches Filmmuseum in Frankfurt. He has at least one quirky credential to his name: his doctoral thesis was on propaganda films in wartime Britain.

Welsh wing

THE Sainsbury Wing is not the only gallery extension opening this week. In Cardiff on Friday the new East Wing Pavilion of the National Museum of Wales will be opened. Built at a cost of £4.5 million, the pavilion comprises two new galleries, a print room and a conservation studio. The museum is now able to exhibit pictures not seen for years, including landscapes by Turner and Samuel Palmer.

Last chance...

NORTHERN Theatre Ballet's season ends this week at Cheltenham's Everyman Theatre (0242 523690). The programme is Christopher Gable's treatment of *Romeo and Juliet*, danced to a skilled adaptation of Prokofiev's score and ingeniously devised in a quick-moving, intimate style with much emphasis on the sex and violence that balletic adaptations of Shakespeare often gloss over.

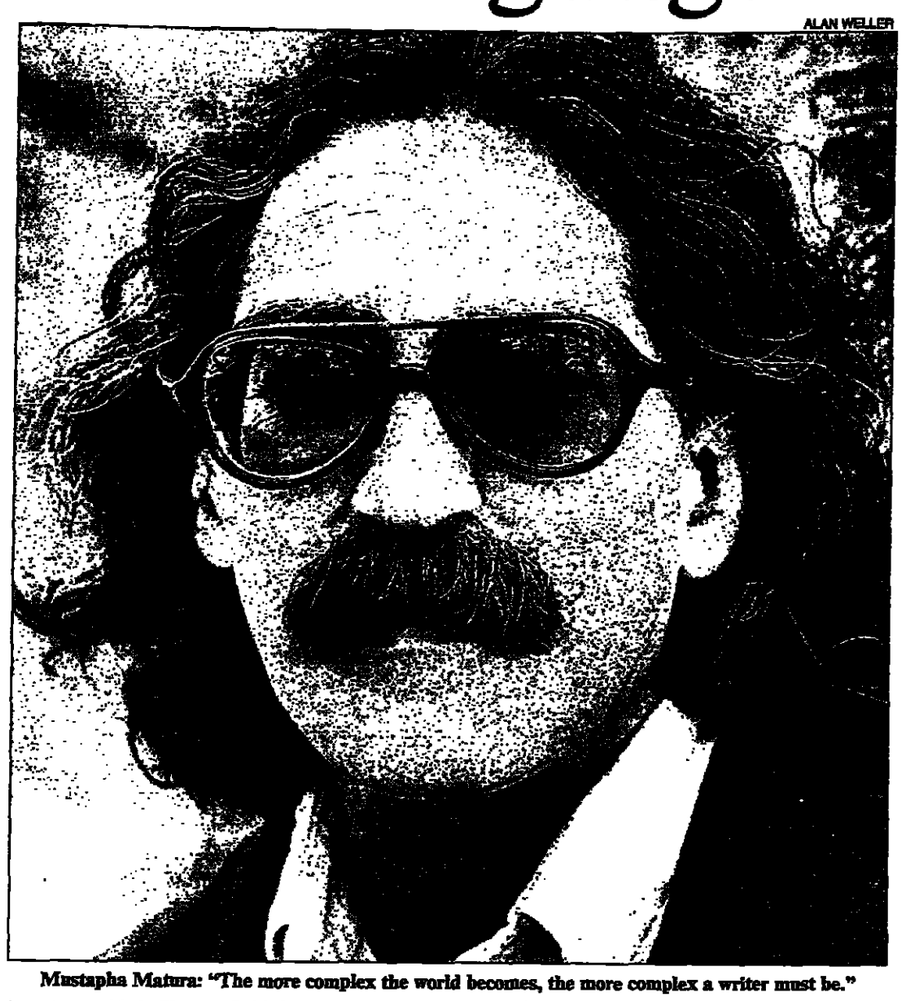
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THEATRE

All for the love of the language

Trinidadian Mustapha Matura's latest play opens this week at the National Theatre. He talks to Heather Neill about the qualities that Caribbean writers and performers can bring to British theatre

ALAN WELLER



Mustapha Matura: "The more complex the world becomes, the more complex a writer must be."

As the archbishop says, during his funeral oration for former President Ernest Francis Jones: "Trinidadians don't like nobody to tell dem wat to do, yer know, they don't like it at all."

The archbishop's funeral oration opens Mustapha Matura's new play, *The Coup*. Matura was commissioned by the National Theatre to write a piece about the black heroine Mary Seacole. So the Trinidadian playwright quietly proved the truth of his own words, as quoted above, and wrote about a different subject altogether.

The Coup ("a play of revolutionary dreams") describes an imaginary botched revolution based on the recurring theme of Trinidadian history: an uprising, a charismatic leader promising hope and liberation only to be toppled in similar circumstances when he fails to deliver. Matura knows his subject well: he writes with the kind of affectionate understanding that enables him to be hilarious without betraying his characters.

Under Richard Eyre's direction, the National Theatre has taken big strides towards proper recognition of black talent. *The Coup* is the first commissioned work by a Caribbean writer to be seen in a mainhouse theatre at the National. The leading black actress, Josette Simon, is at present playing Vittoria in *The White Devil*; and there are plans for a Caribbean *Blood Wedding*. All this seems encouraging, and long overdue.

Yet the timing of this breakthrough by blacks into mainstream British theatre does have its ironic side: Temba, the company that did much to bridge the gap into the mainstream, was told by the Arts Council last week that there is no reprieve on the Council's decision to cut its funding. Without that funding the company will not continue beyond next season.

When Matura came to England in 1960 at the age of 21, determined only "to do something artistic", things were different. Theatre was the medium of the time, and the fringe was flourishing. "Everything was more immediate then," he says. "And I happened to be writing about what was going on, about the political awareness of West Indians."

Soon his plays were being performed at the Institute of Contemporary Arts and the Royal Court. In 1974 he won the *Evening Standard*'s Most Promising Playwright award for *Play Mas*, and in the Eighties he added television sitcom *(No Problem* for Channel 4) and Caribbean-nuanced adaptations of J.M. Synge *(Playboy of the West Indies)* and Chekhov *(Trinidadian Sisters)* to his credits.

Essential to all his work is a love of language. He exhibits a mixture of playfulness and reverence for words, that he sees as typically Trinidadian, and of which he regrets the absence in the land of Shakespeare. Before he left the Caribbean he worked as a solicitor's clerk. He relished the formal, arcane language of the law, and the way that young blacks in similar positions ("qualified, but not qualified: they didn't have a piece of paper") would quote Hartley Shawcross's speeches to each other for sheer pleasure.

> *'In Trinidad, the various cultures overlap and we take and use them as we like'*

"We would take care how we used words, to suggest mood or attitude, or tempo or time. We would say mundane things, but in an intellectual way, an entertaining way, to show how clever we were, to show what we thought of the person we were talking to. There was an element of competition."

This love of words makes him impatient with television. "Television thinks it is cinema, everything depends on a nod or an eyebrow curve: and I don't write very good eyebrow curves."

Matura believes that *The Coup* presents his "most honest and vivid portrait of Trinidad so far". It is not anti-British or anti-colonial. "That would be too easy. The more complex the world becomes, the more complex a writer must be." He is as pragmatic as he shows his characters to be, writing with a benevolent smile about the foibles of disorganised, would-be heroes and power-brokers. Whereas a more sophisticated government can successfully cover its tracks, the absurdity of corruption and incompetence here stand revealed.

The Coup does not deal in the specifics of government; in the circumstances policies are likely to be similar, whoever is in power, and mainly to do with survival. The Trinidad coup of 1970 provided a basis for the play; that of 1990 occurred just after it was written. But it is set in the present, in July 1991, and could as easily be prescient as retrospective.

In 1970 two Sandhurst-trained army officers led a mutiny when ordered to suppress Black Power demonstrations. They prepared to march on the capital. A coastguard boat fired at the hills from offshore, and caused an avalanche which blocked the road out of the barracks. The rebel soldiers, Matura later learned, did not return fire because the boat was carrying prisoners to a penal colony. The mixture of inefficiency and humanity in this anecdote sets the tone for *The Coup*.

"It would be easy to paint Jones as whiter than white, a clean, middle of the road president deposed by baddies," says Matura. "I wanted to show that corruption is not one-sided. Plenty of third world leaders have abused and misused power without the help of colonialism."

Matura prefers to call himself Trinidadian or Caribbean rather than black, and is generally distrustful of labels. Yet he has been active in the black theatre movement and helped found the Black Theatre Co-operative in the late 1970s. "Racism has meant ex-colonial culture is seen as inferior, so it has to be made special." Of mixed Creole/Indian parentage, he relishes the unique multiracial mix there is in Trinidad. "Chinese, Lebanese, English, French, Spanish, Indian, African: the cultures overlap and we take and use them as we like."

He has been following rehearsals closely, working with director Roger Michell and a cast of distinguished black actors. Watching actors as they discover nuances in his script is an experience he likens to watching a life-support machine monitor. "It's no longer a straight line. What I'm getting is the blips. There are a lot of blips I didn't know were there."

● The Coup *is in repertory at the Cottesloe Theatre, South Bank, London SE1 (071-928 2252) from Friday. At the same theatre on July 19 at 6pm, Mustapha Matura will talk about his work.*

ARTS EDUCATION

Any dream will do, but not for life

With this year's graduates joining an already crowded market, arts training is no guarantee of a career as a performer. Richard Morrison argues for new realism

July is the cruellest month, despite what T.S. Eliot wrote. At least, it is for arts graduates. In June, the music conservatories, the drama schools and the university faculties devoted to the performing arts (or what one crusty Cambridge tutor used to call "the indisciplines"), all disgorge their shiny new products. They have diplomas and degrees; they are ready to entertain and uplift and be professional. In July, a sickening realisation hits 90 per cent of them: they never will be.

Each week the brilliant young actress scours the back pages of *The Stage*. "Singing telegram staff required. Commission, plus tips. Must have extrovert personality with good figure." Four years studying Ibsen and Chekhov at the Royal Academy of Dramatic Art, and she is reduced to this? But when she phones she finds that even this tacky vacancy could have been filled 20 times over, yesterday. To the 84 per cent of Equity's membership that is currently unemployed, the offer of such jobs is manna from heaven.

Perhaps the media pages of the newspapers hold the glittering prizes? "Music publisher seeks editorial assistant. Should have music degree, working knowledge of Italian, French and German, word processor experience and clean driving licence. £11,000 per year." About 60 people will apply for that. Some may have PhDs.

The cynical wisdom going round music and drama colleges is that if a student actually completes the course, he or she has already failed. Those who are destined to succeed have quietly slipped away and auditioned successfully long before their final exams. For the rest, there is a gradual, fatalistic lowering of sights. Some try to get as near as possible to the action: the huge number of trained performers wanting to go into arts administration is what keeps salaries in these professions so low. Others "drift" into teaching on negative grounds: "It's the only option left".

Some will cling to their ideals for a few desperate, *La Bohème*-style months before capitulating to hunger. But they deserve admiration: one of the few compensations of Tube travel is the chance to hear a busked performance of Vivaldi's *Four Seasons* that is rather more stylish than the one which recently topped the classical charts. A great many, however, will end up earning a living in a way that uses not one jot of their expensive training.

Of course, Britain is not the only country to train far more actors, musicians and artists than there will ever be jobs available. A quick recruiting trip round the restaurants of downtown Los Angeles can easily garner enough lyric talent from among the waiters to mount six productions of *West Side Story*. But with British universities so strapped for cash, and with even the proudly independent London music colleges contemplating amalgamation, there is inevitably concern at the phenomenal wastage rate. In no other sort of vocational training are students taught in the full *expectation* (unspoken though it may be) that most will never put their training into practice.



Future arts administrators? A scene from *Fame*

There is, though, more to this than bald utilitarian aims. Education is as much about pushing individuals to the limit of their potential as about turning out the requisite quotas of engineers or linguists. If talented teenagers are obsessed by the idea of a performing career, it is surely more cruel to smother their ambitions prematurely and steer them into more "useful" vocations – inducing a lifelong sense of "what I might have been" frustration – than to let them discover their own limitations in the hothouse competition of a drama or music school. Better to have learnt and lost than never to have learnt at all.

But somehow we must remove the stigma of "failure" from the whole process. What a boost it would be to Britain's burgeoning amateur-arts scene if all the trained talent that never made it into the profession was channelled instead towards enriching community arts.

That will never happen while graduates associate success only with earning their living from their craft. Some instrumentalists prefer to give up playing altogether, rather than perform with amateur orchestras. Singing and acting teachers counsel their charges against performing in non-professional circumstances, mysteriously implying that it would jeopardise their hard-won techniques.

That is madness. The *quid pro quo* of allowing the performance-art colleges to continue turning out excessive numbers of graduates is that their courses should at least prepare pupils, psychologically and technically, for the strong possibility that they will end up practising their art far from the madding crowd.

Instead of encouraging in every drama student the dream of playing Hamlet at Stratford or the Phantom of the Opera on Broadway, teachers should nurture a broad-based love of theatre that can embrace taking a leading part in the Little Coddleswop Amateur Dramatic Society pantomime.

Breaking down the sacred wall between professional and amateur arts would pose no threat whatsoever to the centres of excellence: the great orchestras and theatres will continue to attract the finest talent. But it might revolutionise the quality of performance at the local level.

RECORDS: MOZART

Vintage performances

TREVOR Nunn's production of *Così fan tutte* has turned out the hit of this summer's Glyndebourne season. But when John Christie opened his doors in 1934 and included *Così* in his first programme it was an unfamiliar opera and there were seats to spare. Christie, though, knew he had an outstanding cast and revived it the following year.

EMI's recording from June 1935 comes up exceedingly fresh in its remastering on CD with the two pairs of lovers in especially carefree midsummer mood. Those were the days before dark and deep motives were found in *Così*. Heddle Nash and Willi Domgraf-Fassbaender were expert Mozartians and Luise Helletsgruber's Dorabella was not only Glyndebourne's first but one of the best. But the choicest singing came from Ina Souez as Fiordiligi: it is easy enough to hear why Glyndebourne and Covent Garden soon fought for her services.

John Brownlee, despite his Australian birth, sounds more English than the English as a highly seigneurial Alfonso. Fritz Busch's quicksilver conducting makes up for the multiple cuts in the score.

Mozart: Così fan tutte. Glyndebourne Festival cast, 1935. EMI CHS 7 63864 2 (2 CDs)
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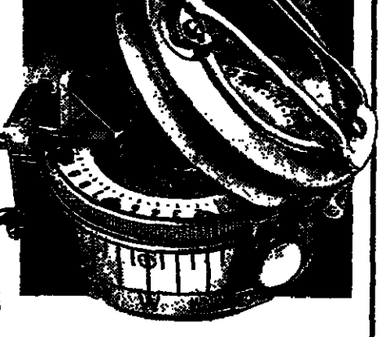
The exact opposite to the Busch approach comes in Wilhelm Fürtwangler's Salzburg Festival performance of *Don Giovanni*.

Luckily he had on hand a team of singers, several of whom had polished their Mozart at the Vienna State Opera, to pierce the darkness of the orchestra. The two Elisabeths, Schwarzkopf and Grümmer, make Elvira and Anna a formidable pair of ladies, while Erna Bergen, who was well into her fifties, shrugs off the years as Zerlina. At the centre in the title role is Cesare Siepi, on stage an Errol Flynn of a Giovanni and here on record a sable-toned seducer.

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Why we still need the Endurance

Save it from the cuts, says Lord Shackleton

HMS Endurance, a symbol of British interest and involvement in the Antarctic, is once again under threat. The story of the cancellation by the Ministry of Defence in 1981 of the Royal Navy's only ice-strengthened ship, which many believe precipitated General Galtieri's invasion of the Falkland Islands on April 2, 1982, is famous. The decision was announced without the knowledge of Lord Carrington, the then foreign secretary, and contrary to his instructions.

But as well as representing Britain's sovereign interests in the Antarctic and southwest Atlantic since 1967, Endurance supports the work of the British Antarctic Survey, now much involved in global warming and holes in the polar ozone layer, which British scientists were the first to observe.

The Endurance was refitted in 1988 to enable her to continue in service until 1995, when it was promised it would be replaced. Again this year, under *Options for Change*, Tom King, the defence secretary, undoubtedly has considered withdrawal. This was denied in the Commons Royal Navy debate last month, but the ship's survival was made dependent on the results of "an extensive structural survey" on the grounds that it might be in danger if it goes into the ice again. Experts doubt the possibility, but if confirmed, a replacement must be found.

Britain has long-term scientific interests in the Antarctic, the surrounding seas and the superjacent atmosphere and stratosphere. Our economic interests lie in potentially large fisheries, and seabed resources may also be discovered and become economically attractive. Britain's territorial claims in the Antarctic are of long standing and conflict with others, particularly those of Argentina and Chile.

The claims are frozen under the terms of the Antarctic Treaty, but each country continues to display its sovereignty through military bases and military vessels and planes.

The Falkland Islands are still defended by a modest military garrison, which can be rapidly reinforced by air via Ascension Island, landing at the full-scale Mount Pleasant airbase built since 1982. But the garrison has been reduced in size, and this will no doubt continue as relations with Argentina become more cordial.

Endurance or its replacement might then resume the role of Falkland Island guardship, in addition to its Antarctic duties. Defence experts always strive for maximum military capability in every ship, tank or aircraft they seek to buy. But a wide range of tasks in peacetime requires little more than saluting guns and small arms. A warship need only be easily distinguishable as belonging to the armed forces of a recognised state, commanded by a commissioned officer, and manned by a disciplined armed forces crew.

Such a ship, armed or not, in our case flying the White Ensign, represents its national government and is an extension of that country's sovereign territory. Research or other vessels flying the Blue Ensign, and merchant vessels flying the Red do not carry that authority, as numerous incidents have demonstrated.

The name Endurance is a link with the heroic age of Antarctic exploration of Scott and Shackleton. My father's ship, Endurance, was crushed and sank in the Weddell Sea. Months later he succeeded in rescuing all his men from Elephant Island. But the reasons for maintaining a British naval presence in the southern ocean are not sentimental or nostalgic, Britain's political and economic interests are at stake. Endurance should be replaced, if necessary, without delay.

Bread and butter politics

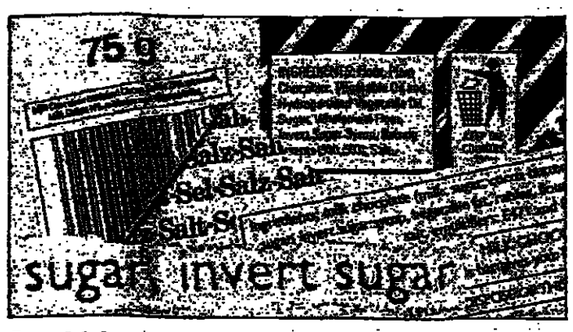
The government's advice on diet should encourage a return to traditional meals, Dr Thomas Stuttaford writes

The Department of Health Committee on Medical Aspects of Food Policy (COMA) report on the values for food energy and nutrients for the United Kingdom is a comprehensive and detailed analysis of the dietary needs of the British population. As its title suggests the report is heavy going, it is a textbook for specialists and unlikely to find a place on a bedside table or even among the standard cookery books in the kitchen.

Its well-balanced views represent standard teaching and few, other than perhaps the sugar industry and manufacturers of convenience foods, are likely to object to its conclusions. Some older readers may have reservations about accepting medical advice at all in respect to their menu, recalling that at various times the very best doctors have told them either to eat more, or less, bread and potatoes; encouraged, or discouraged, cheese and milk, and switched as medical fashions have changed from recommending butter rather than margarine, only later to say that margarine was better after all.

The report supports a widely accepted opinion, propagated by Edwina Currie when she was health minister, that the proportion of the daily intake of calories provided by fats, of whatever form, should be reduced and that we should further increase the proportion of unsaturated to saturated fat in our diet. However much Mrs Currie may have been mocked in the south, and savaged in the north, for her comments there is no doubt that for substantial minority a high fat diet contributes to early heart disease.

Nor is it any great surprise that COMA suggests that carbohydrates, the basic fuel which powers the human body, are better taken as starches, complex polysaccharides rather than as refined sugar. But in saying this the experts are only reiterating the advice given by the Victorian nanny that we should eat up our greens, potatoes and root vegetables, and choose wholemeal rather than white bread.



Sweet labels: we eat too much sugar says the government's report

However sound the committee's advice may be, it is questionable if John Bull either wants or needs his doctor to supervise his kitchen, or to hover around his restaurant table as he chooses dinner. To many it would seem unjustifiable to attempt to revolutionise the whole country's diet, by implying that there is benefit for everybody in the change in order to help a minority. "Healthier" eating habits might well change the incidence of several diseases, but for most individuals, who do not have some inherited metabolic disease, the chances of their lives either being substantially lengthened or the enjoyment of them being increased is remote.

Doctors should guard against making the British public as boringly conscious as the Americans are of the scientific breakdown of their meals and rather should follow the example of the Europeans, who see food not as a fuel but as a source of pleasure, and meals as times for family and social intercourse. Carried to extremes, as it has been in the so-called muesli-belt, an obsession for the high fibre, low fat and low protein diet has, rather than producing a healthy generation, produced children who are stunted from vitamin and protein deficiency. Doctors are now said to be as likely to find examples of malnourishment in some home counties' suburbs as they are in the inner cities.

The experts on COMA have broken with tradition in at least one respect, they are no longer so damning about many vitamin supplements and admit that, although they can cause side effects, the jury is still out on the case for or against them.

The Black report has emphasised the advantages in health enjoyed by the higher income groups, and as national income has increased so has the health of the nation when measured in terms of longevity. Never has there been such a wide variety of foods available, albeit many of them convenience foods, which is a reflection of this prosperity, and never have so many people reached a ripe old age.

Despite Mrs Currie's remark, the British public does not only live on fish and chips, eggs and beans and hamburgers, but even so our diet is not what it was. We should return to fresh fruit and vegetables, good lean meat, traditional puddings, and above all more fish, then perhaps the man on the shop floor will live as long as his managers.

Marshal Tito's shattered legacy

Sir Fitzroy Maclean, who spent last week in Yugoslavia, reports on a state in mounting turmoil

At the bottom of Yugoslavia's troubles lies the strong mutual antagonism which has developed between Serbs and Croats. Yet, after close on half a century's experience of Yugoslavia and its peoples, I am unable to tell a Serb from a Croat. What is more significant is that they themselves cannot readily tell each other apart.

Only when he has discovered where the man sitting next to him in the railway carriage was born and what his religion is (or would be if he had one), can an Orthodox Serb or a Catholic Croat tell whether he is talking to a friend or an enemy. And even then, after more than 70 years of intermarriage, he may find he has encountered a Serbo-Croat, in other words, a Yugoslav.

Nor do the similarities stop there. Talking to the political leaders of the six republics over the past few years, I have found their aims to be almost identical: a multi-party system, a market economy, a united Yugoslavia and early entry into Europe. Ideological differences, in so far as they exist, are unimportant.

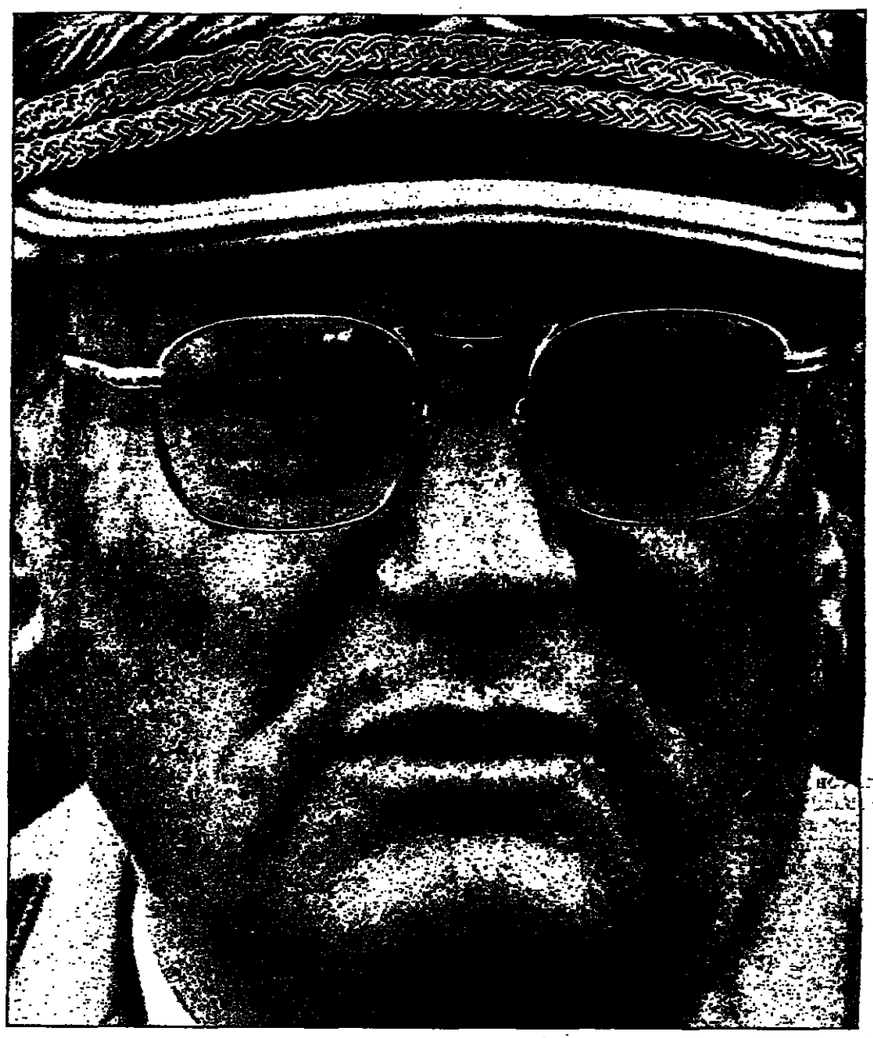
Almost all the political leaders of the republics began their careers, as they were bound to, in the old communist party. Some of them, notably the Croats and Slovenes, now denounce "bolshevism" more emphatically than others, while all recognise, with refreshing realism, that communism does not work.

The differences between Serbs and Croats remain historical and tribal. The two nations were united amid general rejoicing after the first world war, which had been fought, among other objectives, to bring them together. Once together, they found that they liked each other less than they had expected. During the second world war they fought side by side in Tito's Partisans, a memory which helped unite them during the post-war years. Tito himself, it should be remembered, dealt firmly with any signs of nascent nationalism.

Inevitably, a serious complication in the present confusion is the power-vacuum at the top. This could be filled by the federal army, with its mainly Serbian officers and communist indoctrination, although almost certainly at the cost of further bloodshed. Just who took the decision to send the army into Slovenia is, amazingly, still unclear. For his part, the federal prime minister declared that he first heard of the move on television. It seems likely that the army acted on its own initiative, claiming as justification that it was its duty under the constitution to uphold federal law and secure Yugoslavia's frontiers.

Today, without Tito's uniting influence, Western mediators have encountered two apparently irreconcilable points of view. Under Slobodan Milosevic, their vehemently nationalist leader, the Serbs, whose republic is the largest of the six, are holding out for a closely knit federal, united Yugoslavia, ruled from the Serbian capital of Belgrade and in effect under Serbian hegemony, as was the pre-war kingdom of Yugoslavia. In this they are strongly supported by the neighbouring Montenegrins, now more Serbian than the Serbs.

The recent declarations of independence by Slovenia and Croatia and the Yugoslav federal army's subsequent intervention dramatically aggravated an already serious situation. The sight on television of fighting Yugoslavs, of tanks moving into action and aircraft strafing and bombing "enemy" positions has been deeply emotive to people with the folk memories of the Yugoslavs. After a ceasefire had been negotiated and the army had agreed to withdraw, the Slovenes (or so the army said) continued to harass them, drawing from General Adzic, the chief of staff and a Serb whose family was killed by Croat quislings in the second world war, an angry outburst to the effect that if the Croats and Slovenes wanted a real war, they could have one.


Strongman: Tito dealt firmly with signs of nationalism. Without him Yugoslavia faces bloodshed

Although determined to retain their hard-won independence, for which both secured an overwhelming majority in free elections, they have in principle agreed to a looser Yugoslav confederation, negotiated between sovereign states, as have Bosnia and Macedonia, the two remaining republics.

Why should not the six republics, if they do not want to stay together, simply split up more or less amicably on the lines of their present frontiers? The trouble is that Mr Milosevic's ethnic and territorial demands are by no means limited to his own republic of Serbia. They include the 10 per cent Serbian ethnic minority in Croatia, scattered, to make things worse, all over the country, and the million-plus Serbs in Bosnia-Hercegovina. Moreover he has made it abundantly clear that, if necessary, he will fight for what he regards as his people's rights. And when a Serb (or any other Yugoslav) says fight, he means it.

Violent clashes are already occurring throughout Croatia between Croat militia and local Serbs using the wartime name of Chetnik, and egged on by Belgrade.

Moreover, if Mr Milosevic were for any reason to disappear, his place would promptly be taken by another ultra-nationalist. In Croatia, likewise, any alternative to President Tudjman would be as much of a nationalist as he is, if not more so. The two nationalisms feed on each other.

Some internal frontiers will probably need to be shifted and, where this proves impossible, firm guarantees given of minority rights. It has been suggested that the republics might be further sub-divided within their boundaries into administrative regions on roughly ethnic lines. What degree of acceptance any such settlement might win is open to doubt, but it would at least avert or postpone bloodshed.

Europe's new interest in Yugoslav affairs is a welcome development, as is the ready response it has evoked from the Yugoslavs, who have been uneasily poised between East and West for the past 40 years, and who now recognise that their best hope of salvation lies in Europe.

For Yugoslavia's ethnic troubles have served to distract attention from the most pressing problem of all: the state of the national economy. With its exceptional human and natural resources Yugoslavia could, having shaken off the shackles of socialism, be one of the most prosperous countries in Europe. However, at a time when they should be concentrating on recovery, the Yugoslavs are, by their internecine fending, ruining their chances of attracting the foreign help and investment they so badly need, and are seriously prejudicing their hopes of ever getting into the European Community. For Yugoslavia to relapse into civil war and turmoil would be a disaster for all.

Sir Fitzroy Maclean was the brigadier commanding the British military mission to the Yugoslav partisans, 1943-5. His books include Eastern Approaches *and* Tito.

...and moreover

PHILIP HOWARD

Politicians have gone on an autumn election alert. "You can take it that cabinet members will not be taking more than a fortnight off," says a senior cabinet minister, as though we should find this reassuring. The Tory party chairman has laid down that two ministers "of appropriate seniority" must be at their posts at all times, with a third one no more than 90 minutes away from London. With London traffic in its customary constipated state, this means a holiday at Peckham, or Neasden for the third one. Nothing wrong with Neasden, mind you, in spite of the élitist slurs of the satirists. In the right light, the Welsh Harp can look like the Lugano of the North Circular. And to have a holiday at Peckham is an old London saying meaning to go without a meal. This probably comes from a bad pun on to peck, as a chicken with its food, and peckish, hungry. To go without a meal should come as a relief to someone who in his working life has a duty to chomp through a succession of constituency and parliamentary dinners, where the rubber salmon is as stale as the political flattery.

It is a modern heresy that it is virtuous to go without one's holidays. Politicians were more sensible a century ago. In Trollope (whom the prime minister is taking with him on his reluctant fortnight), Planty Palliser and his pals were off for the hols, though they did not put it as jauntily as that. They did not drift back to town until the opening of parliament in November.

There is no evidence that the country was less well governed in those brave days of old. *Au contraire*, you could say. And they made their own speeches, sometimes for six hours nonstop if they were Gladstone or Palmerston, without notes and full of allusions to Homer and Shakespeare, without swanking about the quantity and eminence of their speech writers. Gladstone would have thought it morally offensive to use a speech writer. And indeed, if a politician cannot manufacture his own hot air, it is difficult to see quite what he is for.

Within living memory, politicians made a rather PR thing of their holidays. Churchill splashed paint around in North Africa and other exotic places. Macmillan persecuted the grouse: it is therapy for politicians, who spend the rest of the year boring people to death, to spend their holidays frightening things to death. Harold Wilson wittered off to the Scillies, making sure that at the photo opportunities he smoked a pipe rather than his preferred cigar. It is only recently that politicians have got hold of the crazy notion that we cannot manage for a few weeks without them.

We spend more and more time to less and less effect on ever narrower targets. We need holidays to remind us that we are not indispensable, and that there is more to life than the next absurd public opinion poll.

Tennis players have become so professional that the tennis is a predictable biff-bang bore to watch. They need to be sent on a long holiday, where speed and strength and co-ordination are disadvantages rather than virtues. Monte Carlo for the roulette, I suggest, or a blue-rinse Caribbean cruise, on which the most competitive event is the captain's fancy dress ball.

Politicians, who spend their lives sounding off to dreadful people in repulsive surroundings, need to go on holiday just to show them that there is more to life than they suppose. I suggest the smaller Hebrides, or one of the remoter Alpine monasteries, or anywhere television crews are banned. It would be good for politicians to act as attendants in a picture gallery, forbidden to pass opinions on the paintings, and only allowed to speak in a whisper in order to direct visitors to the toilets. Drivers on the Circle Line, and other hopeless time-keepers, should be sent on holiday somewhere where punctuality and timing really matter. I suggest ski jumping. Poor bleeding teachers need to go somewhere where children are banned, and where they are not expected to know all the answers at the drop of a hat. I recommend a summer school at a university where they are taught something tricky and are not expected to teach.

And as for journalists? They should, of course, go somewhere where there is no news, no newspapers, no typewriters, and only midges, sheep, and country gossip. I recommend darkest Ayrshire. After a week or two there, even Wapping seems exciting.

Papering over the cuts

Never can any trade union, even under a Labour government, have felt as betrayed as the military did yesterday by the government's defence white paper. General Sir John Chapple, the army chief of staff, may even now be contemplating exercising his right to appeal direct to the prime minister. Tom King, the defence secretary, was bravely insisting he had the full backing of military top brass. "I am advised by very distinguished current members of the armed forces who have the responsibility," he said.

But just who were these military top brass who advised King to reduce the army to its smallest size in history? The MoD would not say. The truth is that those advising the defence secretary to reduce military personnel by 40,000 were in the main not military men at all but a small group of almost anonymous civil servants. Richard Mottram, deputy under-secretary at



the MoD, is credited as the dominant influence. Mottram, 45, a former private secretary to both John Nott and Michael Heseltine, is unlike most Whitehall mandarins. He graduated from the redbrick of Keele and spent several years in industry, and is tipped to become a future permanent secretary.

Sir Michael Quinlan, the permanent secretary, naturally also influenced King. His military record is restricted to two years as a flying officer in the educational branch of the RAF. He is a veteran nuclear theorist, unmoved by the debate over the future of Britain's most historic regiments.

The senior military officer involved was Field Marshal Sir Dick Vincent, the new chief of defence staff. But a predecessor says: "It is inevitable that civil servants, not the military, mould the review. Chiefs of defence staff are there to protect their individual services, not to cut them." King plucked a figure out of the air, he says. This was passed on to the military, which was given no option but to find the economies. "It is disingenuous for King to claim senior military figures were the inspiration for the cuts."

● *David Mellor, chief secretary to the Treasury, was delighted to attend his first Foyles literary lunch in honour of Sir Yehudi Menuhin yesterday. He praised his hosts and hoped the invitation would be the first of many. The master of ceremonies then announced the next lunch would be addressed by Nicholas Ridley. "Well, I shan't bother to come to that," Mellor was heard to tell his hosts, sotto voce.*

Treasured moment

A week may be a long time in politics but its seems to have taken a lot longer for Enoch Powell to be forgiven by his former colleagues at the Treasury. The former Conservative minister was invited by Norman Lamont to a reception at 11 Downing Street this week — the first time Powell had set foot inside the Chancellor's residence since the January night in 1958 when he resigned as financial secretary in the Macmillan government along with Peter Thorneycroft, the then Chancellor, in protest at Macmillan's desire to add £50 million to public expenditure.

"I was surprised to receive an invitation. I have no idea why they asked me. It was nice to be back, the place has not changed much," Powell says. And with a not dissimilar battle still raging, did Lamont ask the old campaigner for any advice? "It was a private conversation," Powell says.

Peking duck

The Royal Institute of British architects, host yesterday to Prince Charles and the community enterprise awards, is being forced to dismantle a memorial to the students killed in Tiananmen Square. The 4ft-high obelix on Riba's forecourt was erected last month on the second anniversary of the mass killing of Chinese students. But its position, facing the Chinese embassy across Portland Place, has embarrassed the landlords, it seems.

Bill Rodgers, Riba's director-general, says the Howard de Walden estate, the freeholder, has asked for the memorial to be removed, ostensibly on the grounds that it was put up without planning permission. Rodgers is prepared to bow to the inevitable, but not without a fight. "I am anxious that we keep alive the memory of the Tiananmen massacre, and memories are fading too quickly. We are all on the side of the students, who behaved impeccably when they demonstrated against the Chinese government outside our building," he says.

The estate, which remains coy about the matter, takes a different view. But then it also happens to be the Chinese embassy's landlord.

Pointed words

Dame Alicia Markova, doyenne of ballerinas, will take an elegant jump down memory lane when she returns to the Royalty Theatre on Saturday, where the company she founded, the London Festival Ballet, first performed. Dancers from the London Studio Centre will perform ballets by Richard Alston, Robert Cohan, and Lea Anderson in honour of her 80th year.

The mood will be different to the one 30 years ago when she danced *The Nutcracker* with Anton Dolin, her long-standing partner. The organisers, keen to emphasise the rapport between the couple, described their relationship as a marriage made in heaven. When a reporter from *The Times* approached Dame Alicia's dressing room, he heard the sound of the prima ballerina engaged in a furious row with Dolin.

● *What no surtitles? The purists at Monday's gala performance of* Tosca *at Covent Garden, were delighted at the absence of surtitles. Placido Domingo's 20th anniversary performance (tickets up to £1,500) was the first in a foreign language this season not to use them. The Royal Opera, the cognoscenti assumed, realised that such a knowledgable audience, which included the Queen Mother and Gerald Ronson, would prefer the vision of beauty understated. Actually, no. The absence of surtitles was due entirely to a "technical failure".*

TIMES PAST — THE TIMES

DEFENDING DEFENCE CUTS

Yesterday's defence white paper is yet another about cuts. There is nothing wrong in that. Defence is a notoriously "demand-led" form of public expenditure which must be tailored to available resources. If the defence lobby were to be given "what Britain's defence needs" each year, the country would soon face the sort of deficit that afflicted the US in the late-1980s. For the defence secretary, Tom King, the task is to make cuts imposed on him by the Treasury stick, and to defend the strategic policies implied by the resulting cash limit.

The strategic implications of the white paper are little clearer than in last year's Options for Change precursor. That is understandable. As the paper says, "the risks we now face are far less obvious and monolithic." Britain, and indeed Nato, cannot yet form a judgment on what threat its armed forces must counter. All Mr King is entitled to say is that the threat in Europe has appreciably diminished in scale and immediacy over the past 18 months, and that this diminution outweighs any rise in commitment elsewhere in the globe, for instance in the Gulf.

Where the defence establishment remains nervous is in guessing what kinds of forces Britain could realistically contribute to wider defence alliances, given these unpredictable circumstances. Militarily, the most important defect of the white paper is that the key decision — whether Britain should retain a comprehensive capability or should concentrate on doing fewer things well — is fudged as it has been in every white paper since the end of empire. Nowhere is this fudging more patent than in conceding admirals their demands for ever more sophisticated and expensive ships.

British forces' manpower is to be cut by an average of 20 per cent over five years, a marginally deeper reduction than was proposed a year ago. Yet the regrouped units will be expected to engage in "high-intensity conflict; to contribute to multinational formations; to deploy flexibly and rapidly" and to retain the ability to rebuild.

This is a tightening rather than a radical rethinking of force structures. Efficiency, not change, is the watchword. If the government truly intended defence doctrine to be dictated by strategic priorities this might have been the occasion to make that clear. But Mr King clearly felt a trimming of the sails rather than a push on the filler was prudent, as the West awaits events in Moscow.

Nato's own defence review will be published this autumn. But where British forces are concerned, the most significant Nato decision was taken in May, when the new Rapid Reaction Corps was assigned to British command. That will leave an enlarged and much better equipped division of 23,000 in Germany, more than halving the British Army of the Rhine, to be backed by a more lightly armed, airmobile division based in the UK.

Mr King is cutting infantry battalions by 35 per cent, from 55 to 36. The army protests that even with the end of a frontline army in Germany, such deep cuts will make it impossible to cover the full range of commitments in the white paper. But the Gulf war exposed a crucial weakness in British defence dispositions: the Rhine army had to be stripped of equipment and spares. Britain had been spreading equipment far too thinly, to maintain the appearance of an army larger than it could equip.

If Mr King is going to weather the present storms over cuts, he needs to take two further decisions. The commitment to re-equip his troops must not be watered down: small must mean better. And he should demand that further savings be realised out of an accelerated sale of the MoD's half million rolling acres — much of them "used for commercial, recreational and social purposes" — and the echoing offices of defence establishments.

The heart of the new strategy is that the armed forces are coming home. That should enable far deeper cuts in MoD civilian posts than the proposed 20 per cent. The huge tail of medical, educational, supply, transport and housing administrators was larger than justified when so many troops were in Germany. It is even more unjustified for homebased forces. Every defence secretary, every permanent secretary, sent to Whitehall in recent years has been utterly defeated by this dinosaur. This is Mr King's next task.

DISMANTLING A SYMBOL

South Africa's readmission to world sport — yesterday the Olympics, today probably cricket — ends a bizarre era in international relations. The sanctions policy, of which the sports embargo was part, had become a mixture of misconception, hypocrisy, cowardice and only a modicum of liberal conscience. The release last year of Nelson Mandela, the unbanning of the African National Congress and the promise of radical constitutional reform did not end apartheid overnight, nor even see a dismantling of the structure of white rule. But these changes did at least make South Africa more akin to other nations struggling down the road towards democratic resolution of racial disharmony.

With the integration over the past two years of South Africa's main sports organisations, the pro-embargo lobby was forced back onto a socio-economic case for continued ostracism. Blacks still had worse facilities than whites. "No normal sport in an abnormal society," was the slogan. As long as black students suffered from any deprivation, white athletes should not be allowed to compete abroad. This argument could be applied to most countries and most societies. Not many "untouchables" play cricket for India. Eventually, even black sportsmen had had enough of this nonsense.

Most economic sanctions, including those expected to be lifted by Washington today, have been counter-productive in effect. They have harmed the poor more than the rich, in South Africa's case enhancing Afrikaner commercial power and increasing its regional dominance over the subcontinent. The sports boycott, a limited case of economic sanction, did at first have some useful effect. It was begun by the South Africans themselves by banning Basil D'Oliveira from playing in 1968. From the Olympic expulsion of 1970 through the increasing isolation of the 1970s, most whites still felt they could sustain apartheid but regarded sporting rejection as a real price to pay for it.

The boycott disheartened hardliners and gave force to the arguments of reformers that sport should become a spearhead of racial conciliation. Undoubtedly the boycott speeded up the integration of cricket and rugby, though the predominantly black sport of soccer had long been integrated.

Much of this evaporated when the International Cricket Conference in effect reneged on the conditionality clauses covering the Test boycott. Even when South Africa had met the terms laid down by the ICC, the latter felt politically unable to honour its promise of readmission. Commonwealth cricketing countries refused to co-operate. At this point, the boycott lost its direct force. It was all stick and no carrot. Though South Africa has as yet no democratic constitution, if and when it gets one sanctions will have played little part in the process.

The only sense in which the radicals were right was that a general improvement in political prospects in South Africa would be needed before a general exhaustion with sanctions set in. That does not justify the boycott's longevity nor its blanket application to all sports irrespective of degree of integration. Nor does it say much for the stark illiberalism of other "cultural" embargoes, such as the academic and theatrical boycotts, all of which must have played a part in holding back black (far more than white) intellectual advancement.

But for a while, one weapon of international aggression, the boycott, did serve a symbolic purpose. All sides can be thankful that purpose is now over. South Africa and its majority population are still a long way from full working democracy. But at least sport can now play a part in helping a divided community down that difficult road.

DR CAREY'S CHARISMS

The Archbishop of Canterbury's leanings towards the charismatic movement have raised two opposing fears in the Church of England: that Dr Carey might make the church look slightly dotty, or that he would flirt with religious fanaticism. By giving his official blessing to the international gathering of 2,500 charismatics now taking place in Brighton he risks the worst of both worlds.

The strategy for his primacy, he has said, is to contain factional and breakaway forces within the embrace of the Church of England. Anglican charismatics are a threat either way. By his sympathies he is well placed to overcome these tendencies — though he may not be wise, for the church's sake, to try too hard. There is a deep incompatibility between the charismatics' beliefs and the character of the Church of England as a broad church.

With their conviction that they and only they possess the whole truth of Christianity, they are a divisive presence in any denomination. Once a charismatic cell starts up in a parish, quarrels often seem to follow. Meanwhile the burgeoning "house church" movement, consisting of many small groups well on the way to becoming a new Christian sect, tries to draw into itself Anglican charismatics who are disenchanted with their own church.

Many moderate Anglican leaders who might publicly tolerate the charismatics privately deplore them, and shed no tears if they leave to join a "house church". Dr Carey's interest in the charismatic movement is eclectic, and tempered by his Anglican learning, so he may be a misleading example. For the movement's emphasis on the direct experience of divine inspiration, in a setting of intense emotion, is in principle anti-rational and shuts out those who have not shared the experience.

It is not easy for the Church of England or any other broad church to make room for a movement that interprets Christianity so differently from the majority of its members. In its own terms, it is not just one more legitimate style. Charismatics believe that the mark of the influence of the Holy Spirit on the church is an outbreak of the "charisms" listed by St Paul, such as healings, prophecies and speaking in tongues.

Charismatics also believe that the absence of these manifestations in 2,000 years of church history until the present day, and their absence in most of the mainstream churches today, shows that God has withheld his blessing from those churches. Similarly, the only true Christianity is that where the charisms are practised. This is a recipe for narrow-minded fundamentalism.

The Church of England could absorb some of the charismatic style — exuberance in worship is a corrective to Anglican staidness — but will not so easily embrace charismatic beliefs. Dr Carey should have taken a longer spoon with him to Brighton.

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National asset of horse regiments

From Lord Fanshawe of Richmond

Sir, As a former Life Guards officer, I strongly support the views expressed by Lord Michael Fitzalan-Howard to your defence correspondent in yesterday's report on the Household Cavalry.

The suggestion put forward by the MoD that The Life Guards and The Blues and Royals should be combined in a composite regiment at Windsor, consisting of two Life Guards squadrons and two Blues and Royals squadrons, is apparently planned in order to maintain the mounted regiment. Although in the second world war Household Cavalry regiments worked well at that time, there was of course no mounted regiment.

Serving officers in both regiments are concerned that this proposal would not provide a career structure for officers and NCOs. It would also be unable to support an effective fighting unit and a mounted regiment for public duties in London. The current proposal would save two sabre squadrons at the expense of mounted and fighting ability, undermining their ceremonial capacity.

There will be serious criticism of the government if ceremonial duties were to be done less well, or be partially abandoned. Indeed, with the enormous number of tourists who come to London especially to see them, they are clearly financially self-supporting. The combination of highest proficiency in general military and ceremonial duties can be maintained only if an adequate training and career structure exists.

The Life Guards served in the Gulf war with great distinction. The Blues and Royals were merged 22 years ago. The Ministry of Defence is putting at risk a national asset for the sake of saving 200 men.

Yours faithfully,
FANSHAWE,
House of Lords.
July 9.

Postal confusion

From Mr M. J. Otter

Sir, Your correspondent Mr G. H. McWilliam (July 5), who resents being asked to give his address as Gerrards Cross, should be thankful he does not live down here in the deep south of leafy Bucks where, in order to avoid our mail going to North Wales, we have to pretend we belong to Slough. Personally I quite like the place.

Yours sincerely,
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From Mr N. I. H. Wolfe

Sir, Unlike Mr McWilliam I have no objection to quoting a post town in my address. I only wish mine (Aylesbury, ten miles away) was as near as his (two miles away) and my code town (Hemel Hempstead, 35 miles away in another county) as near as his (Slough, ten miles away).

If the Post Office must choose me a code town in another county, why cannot it be OX (Oxford, 15 miles away) when my post town would be Thame (two miles away in Oxfordshire). Then perhaps my one and only delivery of post would be substantially earlier than at present — normally about 10am.

Yours faithfully,
N. I. H. WOLFE,
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From Mr H. Saunders

Sir, As one who has until recently lived in the Gerrards Cross/Chalfonts area for 29 years, I find Mr G. H. McWilliam's letter surprising since the correct postal address of Chalfont St Peter is in fact "Chalfont St Peter, Gerrards Cross, Bucks" (as shown in the list of "Correct Postal Addresses" on page 17 of the telephone book for the area.

I find Mr McWilliam's comment on the "standard of literacy among the sorters" both offensive and misplaced.

Yours faithfully,
H. SAUNDERS,
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From the Vicar of Linslade

Sir, Here in Beds, the Royal Mail has seen fit to abolish Linslade, a town of 13,000 people, with 105 roads. According to the Royal Mail, we now live in Leighton Buzzard, i.e., we are deemed to be residents of the post town itself.

Will someone with authority in the Royal Mail please give us back our address?

I remain, yours faithfully,
MICHAEL J. PEEL,
Linslade Vicarage, Vicarage Road,
Linslade, Leighton Buzzard,
Bedfordshire LU7 7LP.

Trip to an unknown monetary goal

From Professor John Burton

Sir, Sir Hermann Bondi (July 3) bases the argument for the adoption of a common currency within the EC on his highly amusing insight, of laser-guided accuracy, that "Successive [British] governments seem to have controlled our currency about as effectively as the Meteorological Office controls the weather".

However, just as a unification of Community met. offices would not necessarily provide us with a generally more clement pattern of weather within the EC, currency unification would not of itself provide us with a more stable monetary regime. Everything would depend on the policies of, and rules constraining, the "EuroFed" bank that would control the unified stock of currency.

There is, as Sir Hermann rightly also argues, a strong case for separating the control of the money supply (in *any* currency area) from the unstable forces of the political arena. This is a quite separate matter to the argument for European monetary unification. If, for example, the policy stance of the EuroFed were to be decided by a qualified majority vote of the member countries, we could probably experience a highly unpredictable monetary regime with a common currency, depending on shifting alliances and political pressures within the European council of finance ministers.

The foregoing points are of fundamental relevance to the contemporary negotiations within the EC on currency unification in which the British government is involved. It is a grotesque delusion to be negotiating a timetable for European currency unification without first debating and settling, with great caution and much EC-wide deliberation, what are to be the general rules of monetary policy within a unified EC currency zone.

Yours sincerely,
JOHN BURTON,
European Business School,
Regent's College, Inner Circle,
Regents' Park, NW1.
July 4.

Federal roots

From Mr Ernest Wistrich

Sir, Clifford Longley (article, July 6) claims that subsidiarity is now the smart missile to hurl at Brussels federalists. He is mistaken. Subsidiarity is actually synonymous with European federalism. The 1984 draft treaty for European union, fathered by Altiero Spinelli, the founder of post-war European federalism, allocated responsibilities to the European institutions according to the principle of subsidiarity.

Under it the union "shall only act to carry out those tasks which may be undertaken more effectively in common than by member states acting separately". During the current intergovernmental conference on political union the same principle of subsidiarity is being proposed for defining the future federal structure of the union.

Yours faithfully,
ERNEST WISTRICH,
37b Gayton Road, NW3.

Liberating libraries

From Mrs Pamela Thompson

Sir, Your leading article, "Liberating libraries" (June 25), implies that audio and visual material is less valuable in libraries and less pertinent to serious research than is the printed word. I would suggest that for the study of music at any level, whether GCSE or higher degree, access to both a printed score and to a recording (or indeed to a video of an opera or masterclass) is indispensable.

Music (and any other performing art) cannot be explored without experience of performances, an experience not easily gained outside the main metropolitan areas and illuminated very little by musical literature.

Even librarians may harbour nostalgia for the era when the reading of books alone sufficed for an all-round education. I am, however, surprised that the enormous enrichment which other media bring to any learning process can be ignored. Librarians are well aware that they can no longer deny library users access to the vast range of excellent audio-visual material which is available.

That many libraries may have found themselves able to afford that service only by charging for it is in essence beside the point, which is that we can no longer make the assumption that the book is inherently more valuable or honourable than the audio or video recording. I happen to prefer it, but recognise that others may more effectively gain information in other ways.

Yours faithfully,
PAMELA THOMPSON
(President),
International Association of Music Libraries (UK),
Royal College of Music Library,
Prince Consort Road, SW7.
July 4.

Resolving disputes

From Mr R. J. M. Morgan

Sir, Frances Gibb ("How to talk your way out of court", July 2) quotes me as arguing that "arbitration and ADR (alternative dispute resolution) should not be seen as alternatives to the court process, but [as] part of it".

ADR and arbitration are excluded by the present structure of the courts. What I said was that ADR and arbitration should be seen as complementary: this means that, by virtue of a dual-purpose dispute resolution agreement, arbitration would come into play where ADR fails.

The Chartered Institute of Arbitrators is not a party to the arrangements between the London Court of International Arbitration and the Centre for Dispute Resolution which were mentioned in the article.

Yours faithfully,
R. J. M. MORGAN (Legal Adviser),
The Chartered Institute of Arbitrators,
International Arbitration Centre,
24 Angel Gate, City Road, EC1.
July 4.

Rear seat-belts

From Mr Stephen C. Dixon

Sir, I for one welcome the new law concerning the wearing of rear seat-belts (report, July 2).

Research in Sweden indicates not only a significant reduction in the rate of injury to those in the rear wearing seat-belts, but also that rear-seat passengers who are not restrained increase the risk of injury to front-seat passengers and drivers. A 75 kg adult hurtling into the back of the front seat assumes a weight equivalent of three tonnes in a 35 mph crash.

The individual in the back of the car who, according to Bernard Levin (July 1), is preserving his liberty by not wearing a seat-belt, is therefore a lethal weapon waiting to attack the front-seat occupants in an accident.

Yours faithfully,
STEPHEN DIXON
(Chief Executive),
Volvo Concessionaires Ltd.,
Globe Park,
Marlow, Buckinghamshire.
July 2.

Elgin Marbles

From Professor W. G. G. Forrest

Sir, Your "one British official" may or may not be right in claiming ("Greece turns to EC to return Elgin Marbles", July 4) that Lord Elgin did nothing illegal "anyway". It can also be argued that Elgin did nothing immoral.

What is beyond dispute is that there are today many fragments of sculpture from the Parthenon in the British Museum and many others in Athens. Fragments belong together.

It would be absurd to suggest that the Greek authorities should ship their holding to London; it is not absurd to suggest that we should ship ours to Athens.

There they would be tended as well as if not better than they are at the moment. They would be seen by as many interested viewers. And, for once, we should have done the decent thing.

Yours faithfully,
GEORGE FORREST,
New College,
Oxford.
July 7.

Gloucester's glass

From Mrs G. H. Bhujwala

Sir, In 1989 I realised a long-cherished dream to visit the cathedrals of England and visited Gloucester Cathedral (report, June 20; letters, June 22, July 1), an unforgettable experience. The cloisters and the stained-glass windows are an integral part of the old-world strength and beauty; of man's faith in God, which is fast disappearing in today's materialistic world.

Visitors to the cathedral have given donations for its upkeep as it stands, not for a contemporary work of art, as proposed, which may easily be accommodated in a separate window where there are only plain-glass panes.

While commemorating the 900th anniversary of the cathedral, is it right to destroy the priceless heritage of its own past?

Yours faithfully,
G. H. BHUJWALA,
Fair Lawn,
128 Maharshi Karve Road,
Bombay 400 020, India.

KGB files on Hess

From Mr I. P. Kirkpatrick

Sir, My father, Sir Ivone Kirkpatrick, who identified Hess and described the whole episode of his flight to Scotland as a mad hatter's tea party, would have laughed at the latest conspiracy theory (letters, June 18, 21, 27, July 5).

Hess did not know Hamilton. Hamilton did not know Hess. It is probable that they were briefly at the same 1936 Olympic reception in Berlin. Normal people do not claim acquaintance with the royal family on the strength of having been at a garden party, either.

Dr Albrecht Haushofer, Hess's personal adviser, was not an important person. Almost daily one reads of and experiences papers lost, mislaid, not processed. In 1940-1 we were at war, alone and fighting for our lives. One rather trivial letter, a closed file and a KGB statement hardly justify a complex plot.

The easy way for us to have laid Russian suspicions to rest would have been to announce that Hess was mad. This was debarred to us (and to Hitler, but for different reasons) as long as we decided to keep him. The Geneva Convention requires the repatriation of the mentally sick.

It is certainly strange to find the KGB in their new role as seekers after truth, particularly about the events of 1940-1. When they open their files, they will have to explain to an incredulous Soviet people why they disregarded all the warnings about the German attack from their own agents, the Americans and, thanks to Ultra, from Churchill. The Soviet people will be rightly angry about the millions of lives lost as a result.

Meanwhile, muddying the waters postpones the day of reckoning.

Yours truly,
I. P. KIRKPATRICK,
Rowberry House,
Donhead St Andrew,
Shaftesbury, Dorset.
July 5.

Limits on access to the scrolls

From Professor Norman Golb

Sir, Your recent articles on the Dead Sea Scrolls (June 24, 25) reveal that a complete photographic repertoire of the texts, including the unpublished ones, will henceforth be kept in Oxford — but that access to them will be allowed only to those scholars approved by the current editors of the scrolls, rather than to the collective body of scholars engaged in their interpretation.

This marks a surprising departure from standard academic practice in Britain, where scholars have traditionally enjoyed free and liberal access to ancient manuscripts for research purposes. Such access alone guarantees the open interplay of ideas and prevents a monopoly on them by any one group of researchers.

In this respect, it is particularly significant that scholars of the Dead Sea Scrolls who do not assent to the basic views of the scrolls' editors regarding their nature and origin have not been invited to participate in the work of editing them.

Well over three decades have gone by since the original hand-picked editors first agreed to take on their task; those who did not make good on the agreement are now assigning texts to their own selected students; and meanwhile in many countries highly competent scholars both young and old cannot as much as see them.

It is particularly unfortunate that here in the UK, with its notable record of openness in scholarship and debate, this deleterious policy in the realm of knowledge and opinion should be assented to in the manner described in your articles. The Oxford Centre for Postgraduate Hebrew Studies should clearly not have agreed to accept the photographs under such conditions.

Yours sincerely,
NORMAN GOLB
(Professor of Jewish History, University of Chicago),
8 Clare Hall,
Cambridge.
June 30.

Cost of electricity

From Mr L. Gilbert

Sir, My latest electricity bill is accompanied by a leaflet stating that "rising costs have forced Eastern Electricity to increase their charges".

In today's *Times* (July 3) I read that Eastern Electricity's profits are greater than forecast, due in part to lower than expected electricity purchase costs.

The spirit of free enterprise and the rule of market forces dictate that I take my business elsewhere. How and where?

Yours faithfully,
L. GILBERT,
24 Lewes Road,
Friern Barnet, N12.
July 3.

Always on duty?

From Mrs Cecilia Bingham

Sir, At a recent dinner, one of my table companions at first described himself as "a medic" (Dr Kreeger's letter, July 4). He then admitted to being a gynaecologist. I remarked that at least this meant fellow-guests at parties would hardly insist on telling him about their symptoms. "No", said his wife glumly; "they tell me instead."

Yours faithfully,
CECILIA BINGHAM,
34 Ashwood Avenue,
West Didsbury, Manchester 20.
July 5.

From Mrs Louise M. Telfer

Sir, At social gatherings, my husband, who is a consultant anaesthetist, says it is "second nature" to him to assess the assembled company for ease, or otherwise, of anaesthesia.

Large and fat, small and thin,
florid-faced, or full of gin,
golden crowns in fallen chins —
they all present a challenge!

Yours sincerely,
LOUISE M. TELFER,
Kinmuir,
167 Mugdock Road,
Milngavie, Glasgow.
July 4.

'Toytown' memories

From Mr David Davis

Sir, The social structure of *Toytown* (Roger Boyes's report from Ljubljana, July 3) may or may not be familiar to those brought up on Enid Blyton, but the reference will surely have caused some irritation to *Toytown's* excellent Mayor, Larry the Lamb, Mr Growser, and the other splendid creations of the late S. G. Hulme Beaman's imagination.

Yours etc.,
DAVID DAVIS
(Head of *Children's Hour*, BBC Radio, 1953-70),
18 Mount Avenue, Ealing, W5.
July 6.

Lizzie's Oak

From Mrs Penny Montgomery

Sir, After 700 years of graceful living and royal service, surely the great lady should be allowed to rest in peace — where she fell. She deserves better than to be fed to souvenir hunters in chunks (report, July 4).

Yours sincerely,

PENNY MONTGOMERY,
21a Milton Avenue, N6.
July 8.

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COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
July 9: The Queen this morning visited the Sainsbury Wing of the National Gallery and was received by Lady Porter (Lord Mayor of Westminster), the Lord Rothschild (Chairman of Trustees of the National Gallery) and Mr Neil MacGregor (Director).

Her Majesty then opened the Sainsbury Wing, unveiled a commemorative plaque and toured the new galleries.

Lady Abel Smith, the Right Hon Sir Robert Fellowes, Mr Christopher Lloyd and Wing-Commander David Walker, RAF, were in attendance.

The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh gave an Afternoon Party in the garden of Buckingham Palace.

The Prince and Princess of Wales, The Princess Royal, Princess Alice, Duchess of Gloucester and The Duke and Duchess of Gloucester were present.

Her Majesty's Body Guard of the Honourable Corps of Gentlemen at Arms and The Queen's Body Guard of the Yeoman of the Guard were on duty.

The Bands of the Welsh Guards and HM Royal Marines Commander-in-Chief Naval Home Command played selections of music during the afternoon.

The Duke of Edinburgh, President of the Royal Agricultural Society of the Commonwealth, presented Certificates of Honorary Fellowship, at Buckingham Palace.

His Royal Highness, Master, attended the Quarterly Court, at Trinity House.

Brigadier Clive Robertson was in attendance.

The Duke of Edinburgh, Honorary Member and Past President, attended a dinner to mark the 25th Anniversary of the Helicoptor Club of Great Britain, at the Merchant Taylors Hall, Threadneedle Street, London EC2.

Mr Brian McGrath was in attendance.

The Lady Elton has succeeded Lady Abel Smith as Lady in Waiting to The Queen.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
July 9: The Duchess of York this evening attended the opening night of a one-week session of *Romeo and Juliet* performed by the Dutch National Ballet at the London Coliseum.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
July 9: The Princess Royal, President, Rural Housing Trust, this afternoon attended an Annual Meeting of the Rural Housing Trust, 35 Belgrave Square, London.

CLARENCE HOUSE
July 9: Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother was present this evening at a Reception given by the Canadian High Commissioner (the Honourable Donald S. Macdonald) for the Canada Memorial Foundation at 3 Grosvenor Square.

Dame Frances Campbell-Preston and Sir Martin Gilliat were in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE
July 9: The Prince of Wales, Colonel-in-Chief, Royal Regiment of Canada, received Major General Reginald Lewis at Kensington Palace.

His Royal Highness, Patron, Community Enterprise Awards Scheme, presented the Awards at the Royal Institute of British Architects, W1.

Mr Peter Westmacott was in attendance.

The Prince of Wales, President, International Business in the Community, gave a reception for Indian Business Leaders at Kensington Palace.

KENSINGTON PALACE
July 9: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, President The Royal Ballet, was present this evening at a performance by the Royal Ballet School at Holland Park Open Air Theatre.

Mrs Jane Stevens was in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE
July 9: The Duke of Gloucester, Grand Prior, the Order of St John, this morning received the Lord Grey of Naunton on relinquishing the appointment of Lord Prior and the Lord Vestey on assuming the appointment.

The Duchess of Gloucester, Patron, Baby Life Support Systems, was present this evening at the reception prior to the Skean-Dhu Ball at the Savoy, Strand, London, WC2.

Miss Suzanne Marland was in attendance.

YORK HOUSE
ST JAMES'S PALACE
July 9: The Duchess of Kent, Patron of the Choir Schools' Association, this evening attended the St Paul's Cathedral Choir School Foundation's Annual Concert in St Paul's Cathedral.

Mrs Peter Wilmot-Sitwell was in attendance.

THATCHED HOUSE LODGE
RICHMOND PARK
July 9: Princess Alexandra, Chancellor, today presided at congregations for the conferment of degrees and honorary degrees at Lancaster University.

The Lady Mary Mumford was in attendance.

Today's royal engagements

The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh will attend a reception given by the Magistrates' Association at St James's Palace at 6.30.

The Duke of Edinburgh will present the Prince Philip Prize for the Designer of the Year at Buckingham Palace at 10.30; as President of the City and Guilds of London Institute, will present medals at Buckingham Palace at 11.00; and will attend a luncheon at the Connaught Hotel at 12.45.

Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother will attend the festival service of the Friends of St Paul's in St Paul's Cathedral at 5.25.

The Prince of Wales, as President of the Prince's Youth Business Trust, will visit Showcase 91 at the International Autumn Fair at the NEC, Birmingham, at 10.05.

The Princess of Wales, as Patron of the Anglo-European College of Chiropractic, will visit the college at Parkwood Road, Bournemouth, at 11.00; will visit the North Bournemouth Family Centre, 246 Kinson Road, at 12.15; and, as Patron of Relate, will visit the charity's Dorchester offices at 8 Mannbury Road at 1.45.

The Princess Royal, as President of the Royal Yachting Association, will attend the Offshore Blind Sailing Course, Hayling Island Sailing Club, at 10.10; as Chancellor of London University, will open the Sir Leon Bagrit Centre for Biological and Medical Systems and the Centre for Toxic Waste Management at Imperial College at 2.00; and, as a Past Master of the Farriers' Company, will attend the Master's reception at Kempton Park racecourse at 6.15.

Princess Margaret will open the Princess Margaret Marine Plant House at the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, at 3.00.

The Duke of Gloucester, as Grand Prior of the Order of St John, will install Lord Vestey as Lord Prior and Professor Anthony Mellows as Chancellor of the Order at the Grand Priory Church, Clerkenwell, at 11.20.

The Duke of Kent, an associate member, will open the Lawn Tennis Association's new indoor tennis centre at Welwyn Garden City at 10.30.

The Duchess of Kent, honorary freeman, will attend a reception and blessing of the newly restored Streamer at Glaziers' Hall at 6.30.

Princess Alexandra, as chancellor, will preside at ceremonies for the conferment of degrees at Lancaster University at 11.30.

British Academy

The following have been elected Fellows of the British Academy:

Professor J M Anderson (University of Edinburgh), linguistics; Professor B A Barton (University of Cambridge), English; Professor C J Bayne (Cambridge), English; Professor R J Bennett (London), geography; Professor A H Brodrick (Oxford), political science; Professor T C Cave (Oxford), French; The Rev H E J Cowdrey (Oxford), theology; Mr J S Flemings (Europe Bank for Reconstruction and Development), economics; Professor J P A Gould (Bristol), classical studies; Professor R G Grenfell (Wolverhampton), Welsh; Professor M J Kemp (St Andrews), history of art; Professor I Maddox (Sheffield), history; Professor J H W G Liebeschuetz (Nottingham), ancient history; Dr R H Pfaff (Oxford), English; Professor A Mackay (Edinburgh), history; Dr H C G Matthew (Oxford), history; Professor M M G Newbery (Cambridge), economics; Professor P K O'Brien (London), economic history; Sir Malcolm Pasley (Oxford), German; Professor D T Vere Pilcher (London), anthropology and sociology; Professor M L G Redhead (Cambridge), philosophy of science; Dr P Scrimgeour (Solicitor-general for Scotland), law; Professor Lord Russell (London), history; Dr R M Smith (Oxford), historical demography; Dr I M Stead (British Museum), archaeology.

The following were elected Senior Fellows of the British Academy:

Professor D Abercrombie, phonetics; the Rev Professor C F Evans, theology; Professor A T Hatto, Germanic; Mrs M R Maxwell-Hyslop, archaeology; Dr G F Nuttall, history; Professor G Thurston Shaw, archaeology; Dr D P Waley, history; Professor T S Willan, economic history.

The following were elected Corresponding Fellows of the British Academy:

Dr J F Bennett (USA), philosophy; Professor J Elster (USA), philosophy and the social sciences; Professor Dr J Fleckenstein (Germany), history; Professor R Fogel (USA), history; Dr J Fontaine (France), late antiquity; Professor M Frenk (Mexico), Spanish; Professor C Geertz (USA), social anthropology; Professor H Goetze (Germany), English; Professor T Gregory (Italy), philosophy; Professor J Helliwell (Sweden), law; Professor D H Hymes (USA), linguistics; Dr A Ivanov (USSR), oriental studies; Professor L R Klein (USA), economics; Professor D Kosary (Hungary), history; Professor J Lacland (France), criminology; Professor M Lewis (USA), ancient history; Professor D W Meinig (USA), historical geography; Professor G Melchiorre (Italy), English; Professor Dr H Oppermann (Germany), Hittite studies; Professor W Sauerländer (Germany), history of art; Dr W Speyer (Germany), oriental philology; Professor J Y Tadie (France), French; Professor D E Ullendorff (USA), Semitic languages; J Vachek (Czechoslovakia), linguistics; Professor O Zwierlein (Germany), classics.

The following medals and prizes were awarded:

Burditt medal for biblical studies: the Rev Professor J A Emerton; Derek Allen prize (in Celtic studies): Professor Karl Horst Schmidt; Sir Israel Gollancz prize: Professor A Hudson; Kenyon medal for classical studies: Professor Homer A Thompson; Rose Mary Crawshay prizes: Anne Barton for *The Names of Comedy*, 1990; Valerie Rumbold for *Women's Place in Pope's World*, 1989; Serena medal: Professor B Pullan.

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: John Calvin, Protestant reformer, Noyon, France, 1509; Mrs Aphra Behn, dramatist and novelist, Wye, Kent, 1640; Frederick Marryat, novelist, London, 1792; Camille Pissarro, painter, St Thomas, Virgin Islands, 1830; James McNeill Whistler, painter, Lowell, Massachusetts, 1834; Marcel Proust, novelist, Auteuil, France, 1871; Carl Orff, composer, Munich, 1895.

DEATHS: Hadrian, Roman emperor 117-138, Baiae, Italy, 138; El Cid, Spanish patriot, Valencia, 1099; William the Silent, Prince of Orange, assassinated, Delft, 1584; George Stubbs, painter, London, 1806; Louis Daguerre, painter, physicist and inventor of the daguerrotype, 1851.

UMIST

A special congregation was held at UMIST on Tuesday, July 2, to confer upon Professor Sir Roland Smith the Honorary Fellowship of the Institute. The President, Sir John Mason, FRS, awarded the Honorary Fellowship, in the presence of the Principal, Professor Harold Hankins. Professor John Goodman gave the oration.

OBITUARIES

RUSSELL HINZE

Russell Hinze, Australian politician, died on June 29 aged 72. He was born on June 19, 1919.



ALTHOUGH he remained a Queensland state politician, the moral and physical phenomenon of Russ Hinze loomed larger to most Australians than any federal leader of the past 20 years. Outrageous, hilarious, and the key minister in the Queensland National government of Sir Johannes Bjelke-Petersen, in America he might have been an invention of Tennessee Williams. Russell James Hinze's hulking 22-stone frame, richly blasphemous tongue, extreme right-wing prejudices, and personal fortunes, made in areas over which he held ministerial portfolios, embodied the classic image of an old-time outback politician. He ended up as Bjelke-Petersen's "Minister for Everything".

Hinze died of pneumonia while facing criminal charges for allegedly receiving A$1.4m in corrupt payments while a state minister. He claimed his long battle against cancer prevented him from appearing in court, athough this did not stop him watching his horses at the race track and chatting with his gambling cronies almost to the end.

The current Labor government of Queensland refused him a state funeral but offered to pay the expenses, which his widow Fay promptly donated to charity. His prosecution followed the Fitzgerald Royal Commission which alleged years of corrupt government under the former National party premier, Sir Joh Bjelke-Petersen. But even among some of his enemies there was a curious affection for Hinze, the man who said cattle duffers (rustlers) should be "shot and questioned later", rapists should be castrated and capital punishment should be reinstated, using the firing squad. Among his supporters, he was considered a mischievous saint.

He was worth an estimated A$10-15m when he died in a private hospital on Queensland's garish high-rise holiday strip called "the Gold Coast", the region he helped create, and which helped make his fortune. Born in Brisbane, he left school at 12 to work with his father, a farmer and logger. After a tough upbringing in the Depression, he said he learnt mathematics and letter-writing as secretary of the local cricket club, becoming a local councillor and then the state MP for South Coast in 1966. The outspoken back-bencher was made minister for local government and main roads in 1974 — earning him the soubriquet the "Colossus of Roads". Hinze ignored the clamour of protests over a perceived conflict of interests when he almost immediately started to dig up his dairy farm for gravel to supply his state road building projects. He maintained the same stance of innocence as allegations of corruption from opposition politicians and the media escalated as he acquired further portfolios including that of the police. Of his qualifications for this Hinze laughed: "I've got big feet, no brains and I'm 21 stone."

A young traffic policeman who stopped the new minister's car was told by Hinze: "Right son, where would you prefer to go, Birdsville or Bedourie?" — two of the most isolated spots in the Australian interior. Aborigines were "drop-outs, hangers-on and agitators"; Hinze's attempt to have "dull bludgers", or cheats, identified with neck chains and tattoos was rejected. His fame spread to Britain in the mid-1980s where the *Sun* newspaper called him "supergut" after he was pictured in Queensland's inaugural Beer Belly Championships, laughing and exposing his vast, naked torso.

But behind the humour were growing reports of his involvement with Queensland's "white shoe" brigade of property developers during the state's tourist boom. Hinze was forced to resign from the Queensland parliament in May 1988. The following November he was questioned for eight days by the Fitzgerald Royal Commission about loans and payments totalling A$1.14m from developers. He denied all charges, saying the money was borrowed from friends and always paid back.

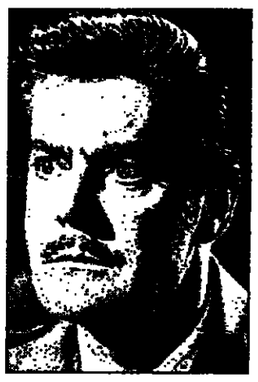
In December 1989 Hinze was remanded on bail at Brisbane Magistrates Court on charges of corruptly receiving A$520,000 from developers. Last December Australian property developer George Herscu was jailed for bribing Hinze. Hinze maintained his innocence to the end, saying: "I've been sentenced by the Lord."

Of Queensland's notorious electoral gerrymander, which kept the National party in power for so long, Hinze once said: "I told the premier (Bjelke-Petersen), "If you want the boundaries rigged, let me do it and we'll stay in office forever. If you don't, people will say you are stupid." His only disappointment was not becoming premier. Hinze said: "I'm just a bit unlucky that I struck Joh Petersen. He's so bloody healthy." Bjelke-Petersen, who was forced to resign as premier in 1987 after 19 years in office, also faces criminal charges arising from the Queensland corruption enquiry.

Besides his widow, Fay, he leaves three sons and three daughters by a previous marriage.

THORLEY WALTERS

Thorley Walters, character actor, died on July 6 aged 78. He was born in Devon on May 12, 1913.



THORLEY Walters appeared in well over 80 films, beginning in 1934, but became known throughout the world through his roles in the Hammer Horror films — *Frankenstein Created Woman*; *Vampire Circus*; *Dracula, Prince of Darkness* and *Frankenstein Must be Destroyed*. With a shock of white hair and moustache, Walters played alongside Peter Cushing or Christopher Lee in scenes that moved from elaborate laboratories to ruined gothic castles.

Walters suffered a major stroke three years ago from which, sadly, he only partly recovered. Gavin Miller had a cameo role especially written for him in John Le Carré's *Murder of Quality*, which was shot last year. He arrived at Shepperton studios escorted by a nurse. This was to be his last role, although he was seen recently on television in the repeat of Le Carré's *Tinker, Tailor, Soldier, Spy*.

Walters's father was a canon at Exeter Cathedral. He went to school at Monkton Coombe, near Bath, where he first took an interest in the theatre, visiting cinemas and the Theatre Royal, Bath, whenever he could. He enjoyed dressing up and was often found acting in front of his school friends.

Upon leaving school his father gave him the choice of the stage or the church. Walters took the former. He impressed Lilian Baylis at the London Old Vic and during the 1933 season began to play small parts alongside Flora Robson, Charles Laughton, Marius Goring and James Mason, Athene Seyler and Desmond Walter-Ellis. The latter two remained close friends throughout his life.

One of his first films, for British Fox, was *Once in a New Moon* (1934) followed by *The Love Test* and *Lucky Star*, but he continued with his stage work and joined the Manchester Rep for a successful season. One of his early triumphs in the West End was at the Theatre Royal, in *Mary Goes to Sea* with Marie Tempest.

Just before the war he began to write and appear in comedy sketches and was spotted by Cicely Courtneidge and Jack Hulbert. This was to lead to a career in musical comedies including five musicals with the comedienne. These included the lead in *Gay's the Word*, written by Ivor Novello. A life-long friendship with the director Roy Boulting was to lead to many film roles with the Boulting Brothers: *Private's Progress*, *Brothers-in-Law* and *Carlton-Browne of the FO* were the most successful.

He first appeared on television before the war and by the time of his death had played over three hundred roles on the small screen.

SIR ROBIN MacLELLAN

Sir Robin MacLellan, CBE, formerly deputy chairman of the British Airports Authority, has died in Glasgow aged 75. He was born on November 14, 1915.

ROBIN MacLellan will be remembered for his success in a remarkable range of interests. He was an industrialist, sportsman, chairman of Scottish Industrial and Trade Exhibitions, deputy chairman of the British Airports Authority and a leading exporter of British goods. His dedicated work on behalf of British exports had taken him continuously overseas during the past 40 years.

MacLellan was much sought after by organisations anxious to use his authority in the chair and persuasive charm. As his export record shows he had a good eye for an opening, was persistent and was good at seeing things through. He also had the valuable knack of dealing with government officials.

George Robin Perronet MacLellan (he was knighted in 1980) was the eldest son of George M. MacLellan, the chairman of George MacLellan Holdings and the MacLellan Rubber Company of Glasgow, founded in 1870. Robin was educated at Ardvreck School, Crieff, at Clifton College, Bristol, and at the École de Commerce in Lausanne, Switzerland. From there he joined the family company of George MacLellan Holdings to be a salesman.

After war service in the Royal Artillery, he became export director of George MacLellan Holdings as well as of a number of its subsidiary companies and then, in 1965, chairman of the holding company in succession to his father. He modestly put down the success of the company to others he had brought in but his ability to work through and with people to realise their potential was a major factor. As a member of the British National Exports Council he made more than a dozen extensive and fruitful visits to Canada, the United States, Australia and New Zealand.

When the British Airports Authority was formed in 1965 to acquire and to run the airports of Heathrow, Gatwick, Stansted and Prestwick, Robin MacLellan was appointed deputy chairman in a strong team led by Sir Peter Masefield. MacLellan entered into these new tasks with enthusiasm and in due course helped to add the airports of Edinburgh, Glasgow and Aberdeen to the original four under BAA control.

In 1970-71 he was appointed president of the Glasgow Chamber of Commerce and in 1972 a member of the Scottish Industrial Development Board. From 1970 to 1985 he was a director of the Scottish National Trust, a board member of the Nationwide Building Society, a director of Govan Shipbuilders and between 1979 and 1980 a director of the British Tourist Authority and chairman of the Scottish Tourist Board. He was conscious of the need to preserve and conserve what had been handed down for use and pleasure.

With always a keen interest in education, MacLellan was a governor of his old school, Clifton College, and president of the Old Cliftonian Society, a member of the council of the Scottish Business School and from 1970 to 1983 chairman of governors of Ardvreck School, as well as a member of the court of Strathclyde University. Concerned for the care of the less fortunate, he was chairman of the Crossroads (Scotland) Care Attendant Scheme (1984-87), of the Bield Housing Trust in Edinburgh, of the Strathclyde Committee of Tenovus-Scotland, a trustee of the Mental Health Foundation and president of the Society of Friends of Glasgow Cathedral. And, as if this was not enough, he occupied with good cheer in such little additional time as



he had available the vice-presidency of the Association of British Chambers of Commerce, the presidency of the Strathclyde branch of the Institute of Marketing and membership of the West Central Scotland Plan Steering Committee.

To all these many and varied interests he brought immense energy and unfailing interest, accompanied by an infectious sense of humour and a proclaimed objective of "keeping friendships in good repair". Occasionally he was able to find brief relaxation and enjoyment as an enthusiastic and skilled angler and as an inveterate tourist overseas. His cheerful and kindly presence will be widely missed.

He married in 1941 Margaret Robinson who died last year, leaving him with a son, Bruce. He married, secondly, Jennifer MacLellan, widow of a cousin. She survives him.

Lord Young to open laboratories

ARCHAEOLOGICAL science in Britain takes a step forward tomorrow when Lord Young of Graffham opens the Wolfson Laboratories at the Institute of Archaeology of University College London (Norman Hammond writes).

The facilities will include a scanning electron microscope, atomic absorption spectrometer, and equipment for making x-rays, thin sections, and other analyses of archaeological finds and environmental samples.

Professor David Harris, director of the institute in Gordon Square, said: "These techniques can be applied to the physical remains of humans, plants and animals, to discover the diets and ailments of our ancestors, to trace the sources of raw materials and ancient trade routes, and to reconstruct past environments."

Among recent discoveries have been a high level of phosphate pollution beside the Thames in Saxon times, probably from the dumping of London's sewage, dung, and butchers' debris on the foreshore and into the river. A laser analyser was used to measure particle size in the river muds.

Birthdays today

Mr James Aldridge, author, 73; Mr Arthur Ashe, tennis player, 48; Mr Tommy Carmody, jockey, 35; Sir John Cockram, former chairman, Rickmansworth Water Company, 83; Sir Arthur Collins, solicitor, 80; Professor Lord Desai, 51; Mr John Dunlop, racehorse trainer, 52; Mrs Winifred Ewing, MEP, 62; Mr Denzil Freeth, former MP, 67; Mr Sunil Gavaskar, cricketer, 42; Lord Lambton, 69; Miss Evelyn Laye, actress, 91; Professor L.A.M. Lucas, former principal, Wye College, London University, 65; Sir Kit McMahon, former chairman, Midland Bank, 64; Mr J.N. Maltby, chairman, UKAEA, 63; the Very Rev I.D. Neill, former chaplain to The Queen, 79; Sir Leslie Porter, former president, Tesco, 71; Sir Jack Rampton, civil servant, 71; Sir Wyn Roberts, MP, 61; Miss Josephine Veasey, opera singer, 61; Miss Virginia Wade, tennis player, 46; Mr Ian Wallace, singer, 72; Major-General Sir Brian Wyldbore-Smith, 78.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr M.F.A. Borrelli
and Miss C.R. Griffiths
The engagement is announced between Michael, only son of the late Mr Andrew Borrelli and of Mrs Margaret Borrelli, of Witney, Oxfordshire, and Carolyn, younger daughter of the late Mr Peter Griffiths and of Mrs Phyllis Griffiths, of Esher, Surrey.

Lieutenant-Colonel R.C. Burt-Andrews, RA
and Miss J. Nicholls
The engagement is announced between Richard, son of Air Commodore C.B.E. Burt-Andrews, CB, CBE, of Irimi Village, Cyprus, and the late Mrs E.A.H. Burt-Andrews, and Julia, youngest daughter of Mrs J.C. Nicholls, of Longstock, Hampshire, and the late Mr B. Nicholls.

Mr J.R.H. Gwyn-Williams
and Miss K.A. Russell
The engagement is announced between Jeremy, elder son of the late Dr R.H. Gwyn-Williams and of Mrs R.H. Gwyn-Williams, of Gosforth, Newcastle upon Tyne, and Karen, only daughter of Mr and Mrs G.N. Russell, of London, N10.

Mr J.W. Hollingsworth
and Miss L.J. Kerridge
The engagement is announced between James, younger son of the Rev Canon Frank Hollingsworth and the late Mrs Pam Hollingsworth, of Grundisburgh, Suffolk, and Lucy, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs David Kerridge, of Rushmere, Ipswich, Suffolk.

The Hon H.L.A. Hood
and Miss F.S. Casement
The engagement is announced between Henry, eldest son of Viscount and Viscountess Hood, of 67 Chelsea Square, London, SW3, and Flora, younger daughter of Commander and Mrs M.B. Casement, of Dene Cottage, West Harting, Petersfield, Hampshire.

Mr T.P. Prior
and Miss V.G.T. Carey
The engagement is announced between Timothy, son of Michael Prior, of Hampstead, and Fiona Prior, of Kew, and Verna, daughter of Brigadier and Mrs C.J. Carey, of Dyrham, Wiltshire.

Mr A.E. Searle
and Dr C.M.H. Ramage
The engagement is announced between Adam, son of Mr and Mrs E.G. Searle, of Copthorne, Sussex, and Christina, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs J.C. Ramage, of Coventry.

Mr R.P. Seeckts
and Miss V. Bull
The engagement is announced between Richard, son of Mr Robert Seeckts, of Groombridge, and Mrs Peter Bartram, of Parbold, and Virginia, younger daughter of the late Mr Patrick Bull and of Mrs Susan Bull, of Liphook.

Mr C.T. Williams
and Miss N.J. Jarman
The engagement is announced between Christopher, only son of Major and Mrs T.F. Williams, of Brighton, Sussex, and Nicola, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs G.P. Jarman, of Billingshurst, Sussex.

Marriage

Mr G.J.G. Appleton
and Miss V.C. Crewdson
The marriage took place on Saturday, July 6, at St Mary's Church, Otley, Suffolk, of Mr Giles Appleton and Miss Virginia Crewdson. The Rev Bruce Wakeling officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Venetia Langley, Edwina Langley, Rose Langley, William Pine, Henry Bacon and Edmund Bacon. Mr Charles Mitchley was best man.

A reception was held at Otley Hall, and the honeymoon will be spent abroad.

Tallow Chandlers' Company

The following have been elected officers of the Tallow Chandlers' Company for the ensuing year: Master, Sir Peter Cazalet; First Warden, Lieutenant-Colonel P.W.S. Boult; Second Warden, Mr D.G. Milne; Third Warden, Mr M.M.L. Sutcliffe; Fourth Warden, Professor P.G. Moore. Mr P.J. Ensor has been appointed Deputy Master.

Service dinner

No 85 Squadron, RAF
Air Chief Marshal Sir Michael Graydon and Air Vice-Marshal W.J. Warren attended a dinner held last night at RAF West Raynham to mark the disbandment of No 85 Squadron. Squadron Leader A.W. Ward presided and Group Captain D.C. Smith, station commander, was among others present.

Dinners

The Speaker
The Speaker gave a dinner in Speaker's House last night in honour of a parliamentary delegation from Greece led by Mr Lazaros Efraimoglou. The Greek Ambassador was present. The other guests included:

Mr Richard Alexander, MP, Dr Michael Clark, MP, Mr Tom Cox, MP, Mrs Edwina Currie, MP, Mr Nigel Forman, MP, Mr Harry Greenway, MP, Mr Roy Hughes, MP, Mr James Kilfedder, MP, Mr Ron Leighton, MP, Mr Michael Mates, MP, Mr Chris Smith, MP, Dr Tom Twiss, MP, Mr David Ramsay, the Rev Charles Richardson and Mr Tim Stevens.

Society of Knights of the Round Table
Major-General Michael Walsh, Knight President of the Society of Knights of the Round Table, presided at a dinner held last night at the City Livery Club after the granting of armorial bearings to the society at the Royal College of Arms. Sir Colin Cole, Garter Principal King of Arms, and Mr J.P. Brook-Little, Norroy and Ulster King of Arms, were among those present.

Foundation for Science and Technology
The Foundation for Science and Technology held a technology visit and a buffet dinner discussion at the Meteorological Office in Bracknell, on Tuesday, July 9, 1991, Sir John Houghton received the guests. The evening was sponsored by Hitachi Data Systems.

The Order of St John
The Duke of Gloucester, Grand Prior of the Order of St John, was present at a dinner at the Stafford Hotel, London, SW1, on July 9, given by Lord and Lady Vestey on the eve of Lord Vestey's Installation as Lord Prior of the Order. Among the guests were:

The Right Rev Michael Mann (Prelate) and Mrs Mann, Professor and Mrs A R Mellows, Lord and Lady Aberdare, Lord and Lady Grey of Naunton, Sir Geoffrey and Lady Milton-Thompson, Mr Ian Maggs (Prior of South Africa) and Mrs Maggs, the Rev Dr John Andrew (Provost, The American Society), the Jordanian Ambassador and Mrs Bairos, the New Zealand High Commissioner and Mrs Gee, Baron Klaus von Carlsmar (Dutch Johanniter Order) and Baroness von Carlsmar, General Fredrik Loewenhelm (Swedish Johanniter), Dr A. von Cossel (German Johanniter), Mr R. Icchi (Swiss Johanniter), Mr and Mrs Tim Everard and Major Nicholas Barne.

Luncheon

Overseas Bankers Club
The Lord Mayor, accompanied by Mr Sheriff John Taylor, was entertained at luncheon by Sir John Quinton, President of the Overseas Bankers Club, at the club yesterday. Sir Terence Burns, Sir Peter Middleton and Mr David Coleridge were the other guests.

Church news

The Right Rev Robert Williamson, Bishop of Bradford, is to be Bishop of Southwark, succeeding the Right Rev Ronald Bowlby who is retiring at the end of August.

Other appointments

The Rev A Reginald Hierons, Vicar, Fernhurst; to be Priest-in-charge, Bolney, and Area Tutor in Lay Education and Training (Chichester).
The Rev Brian W Harris, Vicar, Aberford w Sutton; to be Vicar, Hemingbrough (York).
The Rev John Hodges, permission to officiate in the Archdeaconry of Buckingham; to be Assistant Curate, Thatcham (Oxford).
The Rev David A Hider, Curate (NSM), Southbourne w West Thorney; to be Curate (stipendiary), Goring by Sea (Chichester).
The Rev David Hirst, Vicar, Christ Church, Friezland; to be Rector, St Michael and All Angels, Ashton-under-Lyne (Manchester).
The Rev Tony Hogg, Assistant Curate, the Ridgeway group; to be Priest-in-charge, East Challow, Dancheworth and East and West Hanney (Oxford).
The Rev Jeremy R James, Curate, Broadbourne w Wormley (St Alban's); to be Curate, Hailsham (Chichester).
The Rev Martyn L Jarman, Parish Deacon, St Cuthbert w St Paul, Bensham, Gateshead; to be Team Rector, Bensham (Team Ministry) (Durham).
The Rev Thomas L Jamieson, Priest-in-Charge, St Cuthbert w St Paul, Bensham, Gateshead; to be Team Vicar, Bensham (Team Ministry) (Durham).
The Right Rev James N Johnson, recently Bishop of St Helena (Province of Southern Africa); to be Rector, Binfield w Boddington and Ashton-le-Wells (Peterborough).
The Rev Keith M Jones, Team Rector, Stonerdigh; to be Team Rector, Cannock Team Ministry and Hatherton, held in plurality (Lichfield).
The Rev David Lawson, Assistant Chaplain, University College Hospital; to be Rector, St Bartholomew the Great, Smithfield (London).
The Rev John Lewis, Priest-in-charge, Newport Pagnell, Lathbury and Moulsoe; to be the Incumbent, Newport Pagnell, Lathbury and Moulsoe (Oxford).
The Rev Ian A Lovatt, Curate, Uppingham w Ayston and Wardley w Belton; to be Rector, Polebrook and Lilton w Hemington and Luddington (Peterborough).
The Rev Bruce McClellan, Rector, Crofton (Wakefield); to be Vicar, St Nicolas, Earley (Oxford).
The Rev Bernard Marshall, Chaplain, Royal Navy (Royal Naval Air Station, Culdrose); to be Vicar, Ashford Hill w Headley (Winchester).
The Rev David H Martin, Rector, Newsham and Blanchland and Medomsley; to be Rector, Alvechurch (Worcester).
The Rev William F Mason, Vicar, Ellesmere URA (Salford); to be Vicar, Church of the Holy Spirit, Sedgeove (Oxford).
The Rev Robert J Maddewick, Vicar, Lambeshurst and Mayfield; to be Rector, St Mary, w St John, Chatham (Rochester).
The Rev Philip Miller, Rector, The Ascension, Lower Broughton; to be also Priest-in-charge, St Alban, Cheetwood (Manchester).
The Rev Charles Neill, Chaplain, St Edward's School, Oxford; to be Rector, West Woodhay w Enborne, Hamstead Marshall, Inkpen and Combe (Oxford).
The Rev Timothy P Parker, Curate, St Thomas and St Margaret, Brightside w Wincobank (Sheffield); to be Curate, Christ Church, Armley, with pastoral care of the church of the Ascension (Ripon).
The Rev David J Pitcher, Rector, Framlingham w Saxtead; to be Rector, Woodbridge, St Mary (St Edmundsbury and Ipswich).
The Rev David M Porter, Vicar, Eastingwold w Rasketh; to be Team Rector, York, All Saints, Pavement w Holy Trinity, Micklegate w St Helen and St Denys, with special responsibility for All Saints, Pavement (York).
The Rev James A Roberts, Rector, Aldwincle w Thorpe Achurch and Pilton w Wadenhoe and Stoke Doyle; to be Rector, Barby St Mary w Kilsby (Peterborough).
The Rev John A Roberts, Vicar, St Margaret's, Dunham Massey; to be Chaplain, The Countess of Chester Hospital (Chester).
The Rev Helen Stanton, Christian Aid Secretary for Oxfordshire and Berkshire; to be Chaplain to the University of Sheffield (Sheffield).
The Rev Andrew Todd, Curate, Thorpe St Andrew (Norwich); to be Chaplain, Keble Association (Wycliffe Hall, Oxford).
The Rev Stephen JA Weston, Priest-in-charge, The Gate Group; to be the Incumbent, The Gate Group (Oxford).
The Rev Madeleine Wheeler, Deacon at St Paul's, Rusley Manor; to be Minister, All Hallows, Gravesend (London).

Memorial service

Mr Andrew Boyle
A service of thanksgiving for the life and work of Mr Andrew Boyle was held yesterday at All Souls, Langham Place. The Rev Ernest Rea, Head of Religious Broadcasting, BBC, officiated, assisted by Prebendary Richard Bewes and Father Oliver McTernan.

Mr Julian Holland introduced Mr Edmund Boyle, son, who read from Evelyn Waugh's *Scoop*. Lord Briggs, Provost of Worcester College, Oxford, read from John Dryden's *Absalom and Achitophel*, Mr Harold Harris read from the works of John Donne and Group Captain Leonard Cheshire, VC, OM (life peer), read from *A Devout Prayer* made by Sir Thomas More in July, 1535.

Mr Gerard Mansell gave an address. The Britten String Quartet, accompanied by M Gervase De Peyer (clarinet) and Miss Diana Boyle, daughter, (piano), played during the service. Others present included:

Mrs Boyle (widow), Shobhana Boyle and Rosie Boyle (grandchildren), Mrs Eileen Finch and Mrs Kit Barton (sisters-in-law), Miss Anne Loughlin, Mrs Cecil Wilson, Mrs Joan Keelan, Mr Aaron Keelan, Mr and Mrs Paul Sereden.

Sir Robin Day, Sir Peregrine Worsthorne, Sir Richard Frank (director-general, British Council) and Lady Francis; Mr John Birt (deputy director-general, BBC) with Mr David Hatch (managing director, Network Radio), Miss Jenny Abramsky (editor, News and Current Affairs Radio), Mrs Sheila Smith (editor, English World Service) and Sir Roger Cary (consultant to the director general) with other past and present members of staff.

Mr and Mrs Anthony Howard, Mr Brian Wenham, Mr and Mrs Leonard Miall, Mr Paul Johnson, Mr Jonathan Dimbleby, Mr James Naughtie, Mr Stephen Bennerse, Mr and Mrs David Salisbury, Mr Fritz Spiegl, Mr Steve Race, Miss Nancy Wise, Mr Nick Ross, Mr Jack Longridge, Mr Derek Lewis, Mr Gordon Clough, Mr Bryan Balkwill, Mr and Mrs Alec Trustram Eve, Miss Margaret Howard, Miss Cressa De Peyer, Mr Geoffrey Goodman.

Miss Sue McGregor, Mr Richard Tracey, MP, Mrs Ann Roberts, Mr and Miss Peter Hawkins Scott, Miss Gillian Reynolds, Mr John Cole, Mr Roger Cook, Mr Kenneth Hutchens, Mr Winston S Churchill, MP, Mr Cameron Wheeler, Mr Nicholas Soper, Mr John Wilson, Miss A Scott, Mr Mark La Fleur (general secretary, Society of Authors), Mr Mike Burns (London editor, Radio Telefis Eireann) and Mr Michael Shaw (Curtis Brown).

The Lord said, "They are my people: they will not deceive me". And so he saved them from their suffering. Isaiah 63 : 8 G.N.B.

BIRTHS

AUSTWICK - On July 5th to Sarah (née Bengough) and Malcolm, a son, Richard John; a brother for Charlotte and James.

CARPENTER - On July 6th, at Kingston, to Emily (née Attchison) and Tim, a son, William John, a brother for Alexandra.

CLITHEROW - On July 7th, to Caroline (née Hitchcock) and Bruce, a daughter, Charlotte Anna.

COVENTRY - On June 29th in London, to Rowena (née Doe) and David, a daughter, Cadriona Moncrieff.

DUDGEON - On June 29th to Juliet (née Turnbull) and Angus, a daughter.

DUNN - On July 7th in Bristol to Justina (née Judd) and Robert, a daughter, Hazel Ruth.

FIELDING - On June 16th, to Solange (née Payne) and William, a son, Jonathan Raphael Spencer, a brother for Rachel.

GRANT - On July 3rd, to Maureen (née Innes) and Duncan, a son, Henry Douglas.

HAYWARD - On June 27th to Claire (née Rae) and Richard, a son, Guy, a brother for Thomas.

OSMOND - On July 3rd, at the John Radcliffe Hospital, Oxford, at 1.32am, to Jill (née McDonald) and Andrew, a daughter, Alice Louise Philippa, a sister for Lucy and Emily.

PARSONS - On July 6th 1991 to Jane and Nicholas, a daughter.

SMYTHE - On July 1st, to Deborah (née Clark) and Stephen, a son, Joseph Donald Alexander.

SPEERS - On July 4th to Deborah (née Norman) and Andrew, a son, Robert Henry Robson a brother for Jessica.

SQUIRE - On July 8th, at The West Suffolk Hospital, Bury St. Edmunds, to Sarah (née Chalk) and Nicholas, a daughter, Octavia Clare, a sister for Amanda, Guy and Hugo.

STRUNCK - On July 9th, at The Churchill Clinic, to Camilla (née Dobson) and Ronald, a daughter, Cosima.

THOMPSON - On June 12th at The Royal Sussex County Hospital, to Sue (née Waddington) and Gary, a son, Stuart Michael John.

TUBBS - On July 4th at the Lindo Wing, St Mary's, to Sarah (née Milward) and Nicholas, a daughter, Annabella Lucy Milward.

TWISTON DAVIES - On July 4th, to Lindsey and Rupert, a daughter, Iona May.

WRIGHT - On July 7th, to Susan (née Platts-Martin) and Nigel, a son, Charles.

MARRIAGES

BELL-LEWIS - On July 6th, 1991 at High Wycombe, Doctor James Fraser Bell and Fiona Helen Lewis, of Downley Common, Bucks.

DEATHS

ALCOCK - On July 6th in Cheltenham General Hospital, Ronald Cecil, aged 86 years. Beloved father of Wendy and much loved grandfather of Ian and Mark, Rupert and Charlotte. Father-in-law to Jean. A fight well fought. Now at peace. Funeral Service at St Mary's Church, Charlton, Kings, Cheltenham on Friday July 12th at 2.30 pm.

ALLERTON - On July 1st, peacefully, Lord Allerton of Loddington, Leics. Cremation has already taken place.

BUCKINGHAM - On July 7th 1991, peacefully in hospital Crawford Leslie Buckingham aged 80 years of Cranford, Middlesex, devoted husband of Rosina and much loved father of Anthony, Ralph and Sheila. The funeral service will take place at St. Dunstan's Church, Cranford, Middx on Thursday July 11th at 2.30 p.m. followed by burial in Cranford Churchyard. Father M. Chennell will officiate.

COLLINGRIDGE - On July 8th in Amesbury Abbey, Muriel Patricia (Pat), wife of the late Brigadier H.V.Collingridge D.S.O., O.B.E. and mother of Helen and Joan. Funeral Christ Church, Hatherden, Friday July 12th 2.30pm. Family flowers only.

CLARK - On July 8th, peacefully at home, Stella, of Hermitage, Leics., most dearly loved wife of the late Major Kenneth (Dick) Clark. Funeral Service at St. Peter's Church, Hermitage, on Tuesday, July 16th at 2.30 pm followed by interment. Flowers to J. Stamp & Sons, Funeral Directors, Market Harborough. Tel: (0858) 462524.

DAVIDSON - On July 8th, at his home in West Wittering, after a long illness bravely borne, Arnold late of Burmah-Shell and Bursar of The Prebendal School, beloved husband of Geraldine and father of Jerome, Guy and Mayra. Cremation at Chichester on Monday July 15th at 11.30am. Family flowers only, but donations to Imperial Cancer Research, c/o Edward White & Son, 5 South Pallant, Chichester, will be gratefully received.

DAVIS - On July 6th 1991, suddenly at Thornton House, Rewe near Exeter, Elizabeth Jane, sister of Robert and former Headmistress of Truro High School and Tiffin School for Girls, Kingston-upon-Thames. Funeral service at Exeter Crematorium, Friday July 12th at 2.15pm. No flowers please, but donations if desired to The Multiple Sclerosis Society, 25 Effie Road, Fulham, London, SW6 1EE.

DEWAR - On July 4th, Pamela, after a 10 year miracle. Loved beyond measure by husband Ian, son James and sister Dorothy. Funeral service at 3 pm Friday 12th July at St Peters, Berkhamsted. Family flowers only. Donations if desired to The Dacorum Branch of the British Heart Foundation, c/o of Natwest Hemel Hempstead.

DOIG - On July 7th, 1991, suddenly, James Anthony (Jim), aged 46 years, of Malvern, Chairman of Triplex Lloyd Plc. Loved husband of Sally, father of James, Jessica and Alex, much missed by Jo, Jackie, Ruth and all the family. Funeral Service at Malvern Priory on Monday, July 15th at 2 pm followed by private cremation. No flowers, donations, if desired, to Worcester Keyhole Surgery Appeal, c/o Maxine Shields, Post Graduate Centre, Ronkswood Hospital, Worcester.

EDWARDS - On Sunday, July 7th 1991, Eileen Daisy aged 80 of Oak Way, Feltham, Middlesex formerly English teacher at Slough College of Higher Education. Funeral Service at St. Hugh's Church, Ruskin Road, Sunbury, Oxon on Monday, July 15th at 2.00 pm.

GOODE - On July 6th suddenly but peacefully at home, Andrew Nicholas Goode O.B.E., Funeral service at Pilton Parish Church, Somerset on Wednesday July 17th at 2.00 p.m. No flowers please but donations for The Samaritan's or for Gideons International, may be sent to W.J. Trotman Funeral Directors, Cranmore, Shepton Mallet, Somerset BA4 4QQ.

GRANT - On July 5th 1991 peacefully in hospital, Julius Grant, Forensic Scientist. Deeply loved and respected by his wife 'Mildred,' his son Roger and daughter Phillippa, by his grandson Owen and granddaughter Helen, and by his great grandchildren Georgie, J.J., and Tom. Funeral service at Golders Green Crematorium on Friday July 12th at 2pm. Family flowers only, donations if desired to Seamens Society, 29 King William Walk, SE10.

GREENWAY - On July 8th, suddenly in hospital, Susan Yeats, aged 71 years, of St. Cross, Winchester. Funeral service on Friday July 12th at The Chapel of St. Cross, Winchester at 2.00pm. Followed by cremation. Family flowers only, donations to the Macmillan Nurses Appeal, c/o Jno. Steel & Son Ltd, 6, Chesil Street, Winchester, SO23 8HU.

GREGSON - On July 8th, James, dearest husband of Doris and father of Richard and Grandfather to David. Cremation at Eastbourne on Tuesday July 16th at 2.30pm. Family flowers only.

GRIFFITHS - On June 19th 1991 at Trinity Hospice, Cyril John aged 63 years. Much loved husband of Marjorie and loving father of Eleanor Cyra. Donations if required to Trinity Hospice, Clapham Common.

HALLARD - On July 5th in hospital, David. Funeral at Islington Crematorium, Tuesday, July 16th at 3.30pm. Family flowers only, donations if desired to Cancer Research. Enquiries, J Seward. Tel: 071 272 2063.

HOOD - On July 7th, after an illness bravely borne, Miriam Blanco-Fonsboom De Hood, formerly Minister Counsellor for Cultural Affairs, Venezuelan Embassy, London and Director Miranda House. Dearly beloved wife of Robin, mother of Simon, Bernadette, Martin and Anne-Marie and grandmother of James, Victoria and Thomas-Leo. Requiem Mass, Our Lady Queen of Peace, 222 Sheen Road, Richmond, Surrey on Monday, July 15th at 11.00am. Burial private. Family flowers only. Donations to Society of St Vincent De Paul, East Sheen Conference, c/o 40 Graveneydyke Road, London, SW14 7BJ. May she rest in peace.

JACKSON - On Friday, July 5th, 1991, suddenly whilst on holiday, Graham Dickerton Jackson, aged 54, much loved son of Cyril and Kathleen. Service at Worthing Crematorium on Wednesday, July 17th at 12 noon. No flowers please, but donations, if desired to the RAF Benevolent Fund or Guild of Air Pilots, c/o H.D. Tribe Ltd, 40 Brunswick Road, Shoreham-by-Sea. Tel: 0273 452169.

JOHNS - On July 9th, peacefully after a short illness courageously borne, Diana, beloved wife of Norman and dearest mother of Patrick and Susan. Funeral service at St. Andrew's Church, Hurstbourne Priors, on Friday, July 12th, at 3.15pm. Family flowers only, but donations, if desired, to the Royal National Lifeboat Institution, Princes Wharf, Wapping Road, Bristol, to support the St. Ives lifeboat & crew. Enquiries, Jno. Steel & Son, Chesil House, Winchester.

KAHN - On July 9th 1991, peacefully after a short illness, Eric Lawrence, beloved husband of Betty, much loved father of Stephen and Elizabeth and devoted grandfather to Nikki and Katie. Cremation at Golders Green Crematorium on Wednesday, July 10th at 12.30 pm. No flowers.

MACLEAN - On July 7th 1991, peacefully at home, Norton, dearly loved husband of Eileen, much loved father of Mary and Robert and grandfather of Sarah and Caroline. Funeral at Putney Vale Crematorium, Kingston Road, London, SW15, on Monday July 15th at 12.15 pm. Flowers may be sent to F. W. Peirce, 29 Coombe Road, Kingston, Surrey.

MATHEW - On July 8th 1991, peacefully after a long illness, Borne with great courage, Margaret Elsie, aged 70 years of Redhill. Beloved wife of Lyn, much loved mother of David, Hugh and Kathryn and loving grandmother of Oscar, Laura, Ella and Oliver. Funeral service at The Surrey and Sussex Crematorium, Balcombe Road, Crawley, Sussex, on Friday July 12th at 4.30 p.m. Family flowers only, donations if desired, to The Imperial Cancer Research Fund, Lincoln's Inn Fields, London WC2A 3PX.

MILES - On July 8th 1991, Phyllis Maud, loved mother of Malcolm and grandmother of Alexander. After a long illness bravely borne. Funeral at Kensal Green Crematorium, at 11.00am, Friday July 12th. Enquiries to John Nodes & Sons. 081 969 3566.

PORTER - On July 6th, peacefully, in hospital after a long illness bravely borne, Brenda, widow of James William, dearly loved sister of Audrey and Joyce and beloved grandmother of David, Marc and Melanie. Private cremation followed by Memorial Service on Wednesday, July 17th at 3.15 pm at Holy Trinity Church, Pinkney. Family flowers only. Donations, if desired, to West Sussex Macmillan Service, King Edward VII Hospital, Midhurst, West Sussex, GU29 0BL.

POTTER - After an accident at home, aged 86, Diana Potter O.B.E., television producer, dearly loved by all her family and her many friends. Private cremation. No flowers please. Donations, if desired, to The Independent Broadcasting Telethon Trust, 12 Lancelot Place, London SW7 1DR. Memorial Service to be announced.

SCHERMAN - On July 6th, Carl-Edward Royson, beloved son of Isolda and Roy (deceased), brother of Madeleine and Marie-Claire, brother-in-law of Richard and Michael, dearest and much missed uncle of Krister, Camilla, Oscar, Marcus and Bruno. Much missed by his colleagues, friends and their families and his godchildren, Sophie, Amy and Marcus. May peace be yours eternally. Enquiries to Leverton & Sons (071 387 6075).

SHEDDICK - On July 8th, in Hereford, after a short illness, Professor Vernon George. Service at 11.30 on July 13th at Hereford crematorium. Family flowers only. Enquiries to Dawe Bros. 0432 274066.

SIMON - On July 6th, Norah at Princess Grace Hospital, Monaco, peacefully after a short illness. Dearly loved by her husband Francois, her children Andrew Rabaneck and Claire Blanchette, and her grandchildren Felix, Leo and Manon. Interment at Clamiers, Saturday July 13th. Letters to Francois Simon, Les Combes, Clamiers 83122, France.

SIMON - On July 7th 1991, Frank H., dearly loved husband of Helga, step-father of Ann, and step-grandfather of Robin and Michael. Cremation at Morfitts Crematorium, Monday July 15th at 3.30pm. Flowers to J.H. Kenyon, 83 Westbourne Grove, by 12 noon.

SMITH - On July 6th 1991, peacefully, aged 98 years, Catherine May, of Malmesbury. Wonderful mother of Ann, grandmother of Hetty and Tim and great grandmother of Phoebe. Funeral Service at Malmesbury Abbey on Monday July 15th at 1.45 pm followed by private cremation. Floral tributes - preferably garden flowers and enquiries to H & C Matthews Funeral Directors, 7 Burnham Road, Malmesbury, Wilts. (0666) 822216.

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A list of names and addresses of the above Company's Creditors can be inspected at the offices of Latham Crosley & Davis, 46 Conduit Street, London, W1S 9FB, between the hours of 10.00 am and 4.00 pm on the two business days preceding the Meeting of Creditors.
DATED THIS 2ND JULY 1991
John H Arnold
Director

Notice of Appointment of Administrative Receiver
WALSH BROTHERS JEWELLERS LIMITED
Registered number: 1032185.
Trading name: WALSH BROTHERS. Nature of business: JEWELLERY RETAILING. Trade classification: 22. Date of appointment of administrative receivers: 1st July 1991. Name of person appointing the administrative receivers: BARCLAYS BANK PLC. Joint Administrative Receivers: DAVID ALAN ROLPH AND JOHN DONALD COLEMAN, (office holder nos: 5930 and 4342) of St. Peters House, Warwick Lane, London EC4P 4BN.

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A list of names and addresses of the above Companies' Creditors can be inspected at the offices of Leonard Curtis & Co., 30 Eastbourne Terrace, London, W2 6LF, between the hours of 10.00 am and 4.00 pm on the two business days preceding the Meetings of Creditors.
Dated the 2nd day of July 1991
N. ANWYL-DAVIES
Director

LEGAL NOTICES

MARC PAYNE & CO LIMITED (In Administrative Receivership)
Company Number: 2127467
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to S48(2) Insolvency Act 1986 that a meeting of the creditors of the above company will be held at Touche Ross & Co., Friary Court, 65 Crutched Friars, London EC3N 2NP on 2 August 1991 at 2.30pm.

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Creditors whose claims are fully secured are not entitled to attend or be represented at the meeting.

Unsecured creditors may request a free copy of the administrative receivers' report to be sent to them.

Claims, proxies or requests should be sent to the administrative receivers at Touche Ross & Co., at the above address.

For and on behalf of
Marc Payne & Co Limited
Christopher Morris
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Joint Administrative Receivers
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IN THE MATTER OF A P G INTERIORS LIMITED AND IN THE MATTER OF THE INSOLVENCY RULES 1986. In accordance with Rule 4.106 of The Insolvency Rules 1986 notice is hereby given that I, David Swaden, FCA, a Licensed Insolvency Practitioner of Messrs. Leonard Curtis & Partners, 3rd Floor, Peter House, Oxford Street, Manchester, M1 5AB, was appointed Liquidator of the above Company by the members and creditors on 26th June 1991. DATED THIS 26TH DAY OF JUNE, 1991. David Swaden, FCA, Liquidator Leonard Curtis & Partners. Chartered Accountants, 3rd Floor, Peter House, Oxford Street, Manchester, M1 5AB.

No 006057 of 1991
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
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IN THE MATTER OF S LYLES plc
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IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Order of the High Court of Justice (Chancery Division) dated 1st July 1991 confirming the reduction of the share capital of the above-named Company by £568,190, and the Minute approved by the Court showing with respect to the capital of the Company the several particulars required by the above-mentioned Act were registered by the Registrar of Companies on 5 July 1991.
Dated this 10th day of July 1991.
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Ref: EAM/ECFS/9144L
Solicitors for the above-named Company

THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
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A list of the names and addresses of the company's creditors will be available for inspection free of charge at Bayley & Co., Chartered Accountants, 76 New Cavendish Street, London W1M 7LB between 10.00 a.m. and 4.00 p.m. on from 25 July 1991.

Proxies to be used at the meeting must be lodged at the registered office of the company situated at Bayley & Co., Chartered Accountants, 76 New Cavendish Street, London W1M 7LB not later than 12 noon on 26 July 1991.
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A list of names and addresses of the above Company's Creditors can be inspected at the offices of Leonard Curtis & Co., 30 Eastbourne Terrace, London, W2 6LF, between the hours of 10.00 am and 4.00 pm on the two business days preceding the Meeting of Creditors.
Dated the 1st day of July 1991
NEAL LINDSEY
Director

Notice of Appointment of Administrative Receiver
ANGLO-SWISS KNITWEAR COMPANY LIMITED
Registered number: 1917654.
Nature of business: PLUG PIN MANUFACTURE & DISTRIBUTOR. Trade classification: 07. Date of appointment of administrative receivers: 3 July 1991. Name of person appointing the administrative receivers: RENAISSANCE HOLDINGS PLC. Joint Administrative Receivers: PETER JAMES YELDON & PETER GEORGE MILLS (office holder nos: 7253 and 7948). Address: Smith & Williamson, 1 RIDING HOUSE STREET LONDON W1A 3AS.

Notice of Appointment of Administrative Receiver
CROSSTALK LIMITED
Registered number: 777505.
Nature of business: FASHION DESIGN, MANUFACTURE & WHOLESALE. Trade classification: 13. Date of appointment of administrative receivers: 3 July 1991. Name of person appointing the administrative receivers: BARCLAYS BANK PLC. Joint Administrative Receivers: PETER JAMES YELDON & PETER GEORGE MILLS (office holder nos: 7253 and 7948). Address: Smith & Williamson, 1 RIDING HOUSE STREET LONDON W1A 3AS.

No. 00 7401 of 1991
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
CHANCERY DIVISION
IN THE MATTER OF FIBRE REINFORCED PRODUCTS LIMITED
and
IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Petition for the winding up of the above-named Company was on the 7th day of June 1991 presented to the Chancery High Court of Justice for the confirmation of the reduction of the capital of the above-named Company by £1,909,897 of the issued Ordinary Shares of £1 each of the Company.

AND NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the said Petition is directed to be heard before the Honourable Mr Justice Mervyn Davies at the Royal Courts of Justice, Strand, London WC2A 2LL, on Monday the 22nd day of July 1991.

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Cannons: Panton Street (071-930 0631).

THESE FOOLISH THINGS (PG): Bertrand Tavernier's chamber piece about a dying father (Dirk Bogarde) tended by his daughter (Jane Birkin). Somewhat arch, but tender.
Curzon Mayfair (071-465 8865).

WHERE ANGELS FEAR TO TREAD (PG): E.M. Forster novel about the English abroad; amusing, pretty, but unsatisfactory. Starring Helena Bonham Carter and Rupert Graves. Directed by Charles Sturridge.
Odeon Haymarket (071-839 7697).

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Geoff Brown's assessment of films in London and (where indicated with the symbol ♦) on release across the country.

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Palladium, Argyll Street, W1 (071-494 5037). Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Wed, Sat, 2.30pm. 135mins.

☐ **THE KING AND I:** Susan Hampshire returns with David Yip.
Sadler's Wells, Rosebery Avenue, EC1 (071-278 8916). Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Wed, Sat, 2.30pm. 180mins.

☐ **THE LAST DAYS OF DON JUAN:** Sexual thuggery in Seville: handsome but unfocused version.
The Pit, Barbican, Silk Street, EC2 (071-638 8891). Tonight, tomorrow, 7.30pm, mat tomorrow, 2pm. 165mins.

☐ **THE LITTLE MERMAID:** Disney's cartoon fantasy, with songs by Alan Menken and Howard Ashman.
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☐ **MATADOR:** The rise of The Boy from Nowhere: great dancing and sets but a weak second half.
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TODAY'S EVENTS

CITY OF LONDON FESTIVAL: Today's highlights include the Endymion Ensemble in an all-Mozart programme (Bishopsgate Hall, 1.05pm); a poetry recital by Czechoslovakian poet Miroslav Holub (St Mary Woolnoth, 1.05pm); an organ recital by Anne Marsden Thomas which includes Judith Weir's *Ettrick Banks* (St Giles' Cripplegate, 5.55pm); and the Delmé String Quartet with works by Haydn, Beethoven and Mozart (Middle Temple Hall, 7.30pm).
City of London Festival (Box office: 071-248 4260).

PLATFORM 1: John Drummond chairs a composers' forum with guests Judith Weir, David Matthews, Mark Anthony-Turnage, Gavin Bryars and Odaline de la Martinez. Later this evening, John Tavener introduces a performance by the Oxford-based Dufay Consort and members of the Parnassus Ensemble, conducted by Christopher Bell. The programme includes Tavener's *Funeral Ikos* and *Ikon of Light*.
Arts Theatre, Great Newport Street, London WC2 (071-836 3334/8362132), forum, 6pm; concert, 8pm.

ORFEO ED EURIDICE: Justly acclaimed when the production was here two years ago. Harry Kupfer's up-to-date version of Gluck's *Orfeo*, now revived by the Royal Opera, is a remarkable piece of stage engineering. With such stunning performances from Jochen Kowalski and Gillian Webster in the central roles, the production should not be missed this time around. Hartmut Haenchen conducts.
Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, London WC2 (071-240 1066/1911). 8.30pm.

WILLIAM BLAKE AND HIS FOLLOWERS: The Tate's entire holding of Blake watercolours, drawings and prints (15D in all) is shown together with pictures by John Linnell, Edward Calvert, Samuel Palmer and George Richmond.
Lower Galleries, Tate Gallery, Millbank, London SW1 (071-821 7128), 10am-5.50pm, until November 3.

THE SAINSBURY WING: The National Gallery's new wing is open to the public for the first time today. It displays a permanent collection of 13th to 16th century works, including a newly acquired portrait of Alexander Mornauer, an extraordinary example of 15th century German portraiture.
National Gallery, Trafalgar Square, London WC2 (071-839 3321), 10am-6pm.

THE CHIEFTAINS' MUSIC FESTIVAL: Kate and Anne McGarrigle from Montreal join the Celtic folk band in a concert tribute to The Carries (with special guest Ronnie Brown).
Festival Hall, South Bank, London SE1 (071-928 8800). 7.30pm.

WORLDS TOGETHER: Guitarist Carlos Santana leads the latest line-up of his eponymous Latin-rock group in a winning world music double with Senegalese singing star Salif Keita (on whose latest album Santana is a guest player).
Wembley Arena, Wembley, Middlesex (081-900 1234). 7.30pm.

MOSTLY HAYDN FESTIVAL: The London Soloists Chamber Orchestra, under David Josefowitz, concludes the festival with Haydn's Oboe Concerto in C, Symphony No 94 in G, Beethoven's Piano Concerto No 5 in E flat, and Romance for violin and orchestra in F. Queen Elizabeth Hall, South Bank, London SE1 (071-928 8800). 7.45pm.

CHELTENHAM MUSIC FESTIVAL: The Coull String Quartet, with soloist David Campbell, gives the world premiere of Maltese composer Charles Camilleri's Clarinet Quintet, together with works by Simpson and Beethoven (Pittville Pump Room, 11am); and the Berlin Philharmonic Virtuosi (members of the Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra) perform works by Grieg, Schoenberg, and Dvorák (Town Hall, 8pm).
Cheltenham Music Festival (Box office: 0242 523690).

A SLICE OF SATURDAY NIGHT: The national tour of this Sixties musical reaches its last destination. Gary Glitter, in his first theatrical venture, stars as Eric "Rubber Legs" de Vere, the nightclub owner who presides over a timeless tale of teenage romance.
Theatre Royal, New Road, Brighton (0273 28488), 7.45pm, until Saturday.

Golden rewards in the ring

THEATRE

A Midsummer Night's Dream
Lyric, Hammersmith



Foreign language made fun: the Comedy Theatre of Bucharest's physical production of the *Dream* in Romanian

THE London International Festival of Theatre has brought two productions of the *Dream* to London this year. Footsbarn staged the poor version in a circus tent made to resemble a forest, whereas the Comedy Theatre of Bucharest perform on a stage designed to look like a circus tent.

Any theatrical event that makes use of circus elements should be treated with the utmost caution, but in the climactic moment of this production the four young lovers swing out over the stalls on trapezes. Each lover tries desperately to catch hold of the desired partner; they clutch, are pulled away, and clutch again. So ably done is this, aptly arising from what has gone before, that most reservations about a circus milieu fade away. This scene is a chase in three dimensions.

The performances are in Romanian, of which your critic speaks not a word, recognising only the names of the characters — Puck is pronounced "Pook" — and the occasional Latinate word. We are told that Theseus's speech about "the lover, the lunatic and the poet" has been transposed from the end to the beginning, and the play may be taking place in his mind.

Serban Ionescu, playing the foppish Theseus, also plays Oberon and, most unusually, Peter Quince, captious leader of the rude mechanicals. My impression is that we are intended to view them as one and the same creative individual, but the effete character of this Theseus presents objections to this notion, or else to the attitude to creativity held by the director, Alexandru Darie.

The inevitable course when faced with an unknown tongue is to concentrate on scenic effects, such pleasurable incidents as the mechanicals singing "Auld Lang Syne" in fading candlelight, Titania carrying Bottom (pear-shaped in check trousers) up and away on a rope, or Hermia and Lysander each trying to drown in an inch-deep puddle while trying to save the other. More arresting are those scenes displaying a fresh look at the psychology, most notably in Helena's first meeting with Demetrius, the lover who now spurns her. Instead of the usual coarse rejection, his rapid alternation of kissing, rage and confusion both recalls his former love and prepares for the happy end. There are no recognisable fairies in this production, but there are many rewards.

JEREMY KINGSTON

ROCK

The Chieftains
Festival Hall

THE Chieftains have initiated some odd collaborations in their time, but the second concert in their current mini-festival began in a manner seemingly designed to confuse. As the audience found its seats, rough Chicago blues records by Elmore James were piped through the public address system; then the show began with three songs, including "Tell Laura I Love Her", performed by a female trio of close harmony vocalists.

Was this an example of Paddy Moloney's wit? Moloney has been the driving force and central musician in The Chieftains, now in their 29th year. His instrument, the uillean pipes, must require a sense of humour. Like all bagpipes, they have a mind of their own, a tendency to squeak when they should be silent and a need to be dominated. Strapped into them at knee, elbow and waist, Moloney looked rather fiendish — like an imp restrained from mischief.

With the Wren Orchestra in place behind the six-piece Chieftains, mischief broke out anyway. This was advertised as an evening of film music, and Moloney was half-way through introducing the music from an Oliver Reed/Charlton Heston version of *Treasure Island* before realising that his order of programme was reversed. Happily, this anarchic spirit was never entirely banished by the formal attire of the orchestra or the inhibitions imposed by the hall.

Among the oddities of the evening were a number of dramatically brief appearances by world champion Irish dancer Jean Butler, the surprise entrance of a bagpiper from the Aer Lingus pipe band, and a composition which pitted Irish jigs against Mozart.

Ralph McTell's appearance in the second half inserted a temporary lull into the Gaelic surrealism. Inevitably, he sang "Streets of London". To hear it performed live by its creator was like seeing the Empire State Building: not, perhaps, overwhelming but a potential anecdote for one's grandchildren.

To conclude, The Chieftains raised the mood that Moloney had been looking for: "Drowsy Maggie" featured party-pieces (some rousing, some plain silly) from group members and guests. The audience responded as if Irish jigs, ragtime and cabaret close harmony were all made for each other.

DAVID TOOP

DANCE

London Contemporary Dance School
The Place

THESE are times of change for the whole London Contemporary Dance organisation, with a new director, Susan McGuire, already in place at the school, a new artistic director about to take charge of the company, and its headquarters designated as one of the first of the Arts Council's new national dance centres.

This may affect the working lives of the senior students who are performing all this week in The Place Theatre, but it is too soon yet for any results to be evident either in their work or in that of last year's graduates who appeared on the same stage two weeks ago as members of the apprentice dance group 4D.

Much of the 4D programme and half of this week's performances comprise choreography by the students, some of it with music specially written by students at the Guildhall School. The resulting dances are mostly lively, carefully considered and capably presented, but I cannot honestly say that among the many aspirant choreographers there is one who already shows real originality.

I would have also liked to have seen the students tackle an established work from the standard repertoire, as has sometimes happened in previous years, to provide a yardstick for their abilities. That might have been difficult, however, because there seems a smaller proportion of young men among the students.

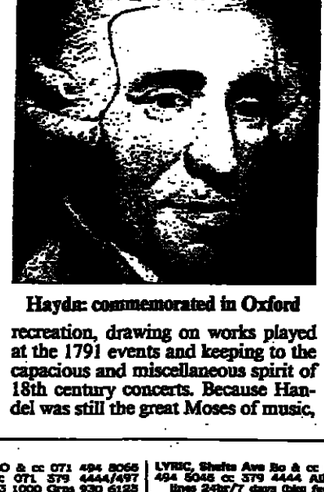
Instead, new works were made for the occasion by two professional choreographers. The American Mimi Goese's *SuReal Dream Sequence* proves that its large cast can make numerous swift costume changes in the wings and that they have no inhibitions about chattering while they perform or smearing their faces with pastes. But, as a sample of new choreography, it looks old hat.

Jane Dudley's *Tanzstücke 1922*, to Hindemith's piano score, is a piece that makes more demands on the dancing skills of its performers. Its contrasted sections range from one that offers a curiously personal interpretation of Martha Graham's dance technique to a final Ragtime that gives the dancers high kicking fun in the manner of the old chorus lines. It cannot have been only chance that made the young dancers look their best in this work.

JOHN PERCIVAL

CONCERT

English Concert/Pinnock
Sheldonian, Oxford/ Radio 3



Haydn: commemorated in Oxford

TWO centuries ago the traffic in the Broad no doubt made rather different noises, and maybe Haydn was luckier, too, in the weather. Otherwise the sounds echoing in the Sheldonian Theatre on Monday evening were those of the three "grand musical festivals" held here when he came to receive his honorary doctorate. For who could doubt that Trevor Pinnock and his English Concert know quite as much about the authentic performing style of July 6-8, 1791 as did the Oxford musicians assembled on the original occasion?

The programme, too, was a recreation, drawing on works played at the 1791 events and keeping to the capacious and miscellaneous spirit of 18th century concerts. Because Handel was still the great Moses of music, though a generation had passed since his death, excerpts from his oratorios featured strongly in 1791 and again here.

Handel, too, is good for festivity, and with the lively, fresh-voiced choirs of New College, Magdalen and Christ Church gathered together in this brilliant acoustic, the effect was thrilling in the double chorus "He gave them hailstones" from *Israel in Egypt* and at the end in *Zadok the Priest*.

There was more Handel from the two soloists. Lorna Anderson — absolutely confident, hitting every note bang on, and performing little miracles of phrasing — gave a lustrous account of "Let the bright seraphim"; Jamie McDougall was nicely unsentimental in Samson's song "Total eclipse". He was natural, too, and beguiling in a song from Arne's *Artaxerxes*, coming after Purcell's mad song "From silent shades". One wonders quite what Haydn can have made of its sudden changes, whether or not he heard it done with Anderson's artistry.

Haydn's own music was represented in 1791 only by the "Oxford" Symphony, but here we heard, too, an earlier symphony, "La Roxelane", and a duet from *L'anima del filosofo*. The two symphonies, especially, showed off the choice music-making of the English Concert: its vitality, of course, but also its drawing sensuousness in the slow introduction to the "Oxford", the pride of its horns in the same piece, and the flavoursome and well-balanced playing of its woodwind ensemble. If it was at all like this in 1791, Dr Haydn must have been chuffed.

PAUL GRIFFITHS

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WORD-WATCHING

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TIGER TEAM
b) A group of bona fide hackers employed by the authorities to attempt to break into a computer system, in order to test its secureness: "In the computer industry, authorised hacker probes against reputedly secure computers are called tiger team attacks."

JACTATION
(a) A throwing, the action or activity of chucking, either of proud words or of something else more solid, from the Latin *iactare* to throw: "The immediate frenzy of jactation before a spinfit or cowniption."

TEAGLE
(b) A hoist or lift, specifically a kind of hoisting trap used by such as Papageno for catching birds, maybe dialect for *tackle*: "We mun start ti teagle 'em up wi' t'hosses."

TAUBE
(c) A German monoplane with recurved wings from the 1914-18 war, from the German for dove: "Far below he could see a taube swooping and turning above the smoke-screen."

WORLD CHESS

By Raymond Keene, Chess Correspondent

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BBC 1

6.00 Ceefax 6.30 BBC Breakfast News
9.05 Pinocchio. Cartoon adventures of the boy puppet 9.25 Why Don't You . . ? Entertaining ideas for bored youngsters (r)
10.00 News, regional news and weather 10.05 Playdays (r) 10.30 Muppet Babies (r)
11.00 News, regional news and weather 11.05 Our House. American family drama series (r) 11.55 The Travel Show Traveller. John Marianske Lazne (r)
12.00 News, regional news and weather 12.05 National Geographic Specials: Last Stand in Eden. Wildlife documentary about the struggle for survival of East Africa's elephants. Droughts and poachers forced the elephants to migrate to farming land, and now they have to compete with mankind for the land 12.55 Regional news and weather
1.00 One O'Clock News and weather 1.30 Neighbours (r). (Ceefax)
1.50 The Best of Collecting Now. Harriet Crawley reviews some of the unusual collections shown in the first series, this week looking at earthenware drainers and corkscrews (r) 2.20 Knots Landing. Drama spin-off from the *Dallas* saga
3.10 Jim Fixed It. Sir Jimmy Savile remembers his favourite "fix its". This programme, from February 1985, includes Stephen, who wanted to be a football referee and send Arsenal's opponents off the field (r)
3.45 Horton Hears a Who. Cartoon featuring Horton the elephant 4.10 Rupert (r) 4.15 Yogi's Treasure Hunt (r) 4.30 Expo. Children's documentary series aiming to explore the world through its museums. This programme, introduced by astronomer Heather Couper, traces the story of the old Royal Observatory at Greenwich from its foundation by King Charles II to the present day. (Ceefax)
5.00 Newsround 5.10 The Bartons. Episode three of the 11-part children's comedy-drama serial (r)
5.35 Neighbours (r). (Ceefax). Northern Ireland: Sportswide 5.40 Inside Ulster
6.00 Six O'Clock News with Anna Ford and Andrew Harvey. Weather
6.30 Regional news magazines. Northern Ireland: Neighbours
7.00 Wogan. Tonight's guests include Gary Cole, who starred as Jack Killian in the series *Midnight Caller*, and Cindy Adams, gossip columnist of the *New York Post*. Music is provided by the Milltown Brothers
7.30 Come Dancing '91 presented by Angela Rippon from the Tower Ballroom in Blackpool. Andy Ross makes the music as dancers from Liverpool and London North compete in the categories of Latin, modern, formation, old time and rock 'n' roll. (Ceefax)
8.00 Police Rescue: Saving the Princess. Routine Australian police drama starring Gary Sweet and Sonia Todd. (Ceefax)
8.50 Party Political Broadcast on behalf of the Labour party
9.00 Nine O'Clock News with Michael Buerk. (Ceefax) Regional news and weather



Turning a deaf ear to their disability: Joanne and Sarah (9.30pm)

9.30 The Visit: Children of Silence.
● CHOICE: Desmond Wilcox rounds off his current series by featuring the Robinson sisters, Sarah and Joanne, who were both born deaf. Now 20 and 18, they grew up when the orthodox approach to deaf people was to teach them how to lip read and integrate them as far as possible into the normal "hearing" world. To learn sign language, it was argued, would only inhibit attempts at speech. Deaf children were even told to sit on their hands. Now the emphasis has changed and the deaf are encouraged to communicate within their own world. Sarah and Jane have managed to inhabit both worlds, with friends from among both the hearing and the deaf. It helps that they are both talented, one a computer wizard and the other a promising artist. The film includes a robust contribution from the deaf actress, Elizabeth Quinn, and a trip to a university for the deaf in Washington DC. (Ceefax). Wales: Llangollen '91 10.00 The Visit
10.20 Film: The Day of the Jackal (1973). Satisfyingly crafted thriller from the novel by Frederick Forsyth. In 1963, having failed in its efforts to assassinate General de Gaulle, the extreme right-wing French Secret Army organisation hires a professional foreign assassin (Edward Fox) to do the job for it. With Eric Porter, Derek Jacobi, Donald Sinden and Cyril Cusack. Directed by Fred Zinnemann. Wales: 10.40 The Day of the Jackal
12.40am Weather. Wales: 1.10 News headlines and weather

BBC 2

7.10 Open University: Water for Jordan. Ends at 7.35
8.00 News 8.15 Westminster. The latest news from both Houses
9.00 Cricket. Highlights of the final day of the third Test between England and West Indies at Trent Bridge (r)
9.40 Film: Syncopation (1942, b/w). A celebration of the early years of jazz; set in New Orleans and Chicago. Kit Latimer (Bonita Granville) leaves New Orleans in 1906 and marries her sweetheart Paul (Ted North). However, she misses the jazz sound and, ten years later, she meets Johnnie (Jackie Cooper), an aspiring trumpet player. The best part of the film is the climactic jam session featuring the All-American Dance Band (whose members included Benny Goodman, Charlie Barnet, Gene Krupa and Joe Venuti). Directed by William Dieterle
11.05 Film: Atlantic City (1944, b/w). A romantic musical, the first of two film tributes to Louis Armstrong. A young impresario (Brad Taylor) is dedicated to turning Atlantic City into the playground of America. He sets about acquiring theatres, nightclubs and piers but soon finds that his work is having a detrimental effect on his private life. With Louis Armstrong and his Orchestra, Paul Whiteman and Dorothy Dandridge. Directed by Ray McCarey
12.30 Discoveries: The Marble Horseman. John Boardman with an explanation of the Parthenon frieze, the centrepiece of the disputed Elgin Marbles (r) 1.20 Mr Benn. Children's cartoon (r)
1.35 Country File. A look at homoeopathy and acupuncture in animal medicine (r)
2.00 News and weather followed by Australia: Journey to the Interior. Millionaire Dick Smith flies his helicopter to Birdsville races, deep in the outback (r). (Ceefax) 2.55 The Historyman. Bryan McNerney visits Otley Hall, a moated manor house in Suffolk (r)
3.00 News and weather followed by Westminster Live 3.50 News, regional news and weather
4.00 The Wooldridge View: To the Limit and Beyond. Ian Wooldridge watches the Royal Navy's centenary field-gun competition at the 1979 Royal Tournament (r)
5.00 One in Four. Magazine about issues of importance to the disabled community. Includes a film from Scotland about a group of people leaving a mental health institution
5.30 Street Art. An 1989 international competition for spray-can artists
6.00 Star Trek: The Next Generation: Time Squared. A double of Captain Pickard (Patrick Stewart) leads the Enterprise and its crew into a deadly trap. (Ceefax)
6.45 DEF II begins with The Farm. The band filmed in their home town of Liverpool last March during their *Spartacus* tour. Guests include Joe Strummer and Mick Jones 7.30 Has Anyone Heard of Mozambique? A programme following the work of the Somerset-based charity ActionAid, heavily engaged in famine relief in Mozambique
8.05 Reaching for the Skies. Anthony Quayle narrates the repeated documentary series on the history of aviation. This programme examines the military use of aeroplanes (r). (Ceefax)



A small businessman on the skid: Timothy Spall (9.00pm)

9.00 ScreenPlay: Broke.
● CHOICE: Anyone struggling to keep a small business afloat in these troubled times might be better advised to switch to another channel. Stephen Bill's drama may be billed as a dark comedy but the joke soon begins to turn very sour. Francis Meeks (Timothy Spall) is decent, weak and gullible. These are not, as it turns out, the qualities best needed for keeping his blinds and canopies company above water. Ripped off something rotten by a self-deluding conman (Larry Lamb), the wretched Meeks makes every conceivable wrong move until his business collapses around him. It is a horrifying story, perhaps even more so because Meeks cannot even blame John Major's recession. With his lovely pudding face, and amazing repertoire of grimaces, Spall plays Meeks to the hilt. It is a performance that would be richly comic were it not a portrait of a hopeless case. (Ceefax)
10.30 Party Political Broadcast on behalf of the Labour party
10.40 Newsnight presented by Peter Snow
11.25 Push the Boat Out: Renfrew Ferry. Continuing the musical series recorded during Glasgow's Mayfest. Guests include Uilleann piper Liam O'Flynn and the Tara Dancers, an Irish troupe based in Scotland 12.05am Weather
12.10 Open University: Madmen and Specialists. Ends at 12.45

ITV

6.00 TV-am
9.25 All Clued Up. Game show for married couples, hosted by David Hamilton 9.55 Thames News and weather
10.00 Out of This World. American comedy
10.30 This Morning. Family magazine series
12.10 Allsorts. Children's entertainment (r)
12.30 News with John Suchet. Weather 1.10 Thames News and weather
1.20 Home and Away. (Oracle) 1.50 A Country Practice
2.20 Take the High Road. Drama serial set in the Highlands 2.50 Crazy Comparisons. Chris Tarrant hosts the game show in which guests try to guess the identity of mystery celebrities by comparing them with objects
3.15 ITN News headlines 3.20 Thames News headlines 3.25 The Young Doctors. Drama set in a large Australian city hospital
3.55 The Wombles. (Oracle) 4.05 Bangers and Mash (r) 4.15 I Can Do That. Competitions and quizzes, presented by Bruno Brookes (r) 4.40 Rolf's Cartoon Club (r)
5.10 Blockbusters. Quiz game for teenagers
5.40 News with Carol Barnes (Oracle) Weather
5.55 Thames Help. Jackie Spreckley with what the capital has to offer for kilting enthusiasts
6.00 Home and Away (r)
6.30 Thames News
7.00 Busman's Holiday presented by Sarah Kennedy. Registrars, rabbis and wedding photographers compete for a chance to see their job in operation in another country. (Oracle)
7.30 Coronation Street. (Oracle)
8.00 We are Seven. Likeable Welsh drama about Bridget Morgan (Helen Roberts) and her seven illegitimate children. (Oracle)
9.00 Fire! A revealing fly-on-the wall look at the London Fire Brigade. This last episode charts the harrowing four hours when firefighters struggled to release trapped passengers in the Cannon Street rail crash in January



A hitch at the register office: Simon Cadell, Judy Loe (9.30pm)

9.30 Singles.
● CHOICE: A new series of the Eric Chappell-Jean Warr sitcom opens at a register office where Pamela (Judy Loe) is about to marry Malcolm, one of the unattached quartet from the original show. Immediately you realise that Chappell and Warr have two difficulties. One is that, if Pamela does get hitched, the whole premise of *Singles* will be irretrievably damaged. The other is that Roger Rees, who played Malcolm last time, is not destined to reappear. It is not difficult to guess the stroke by which both conundrums are solved, but knowing the outcome does not diminish the pleasure of seeing how it is reached. With Rees gone there is a new character, a failed soap actor played by Simon Cadell. He, too, has turned up at the register office, hoping to tie the knot. Again, for the sake of the series, he cannot be allowed to do it. Chappell and Warr rise to the challenge
10.00 Party Political Broadcast on behalf of the Labour party
10.10 News with Julia Somerville and Trevor McDonald. (Oracle) Weather 10.40 Thames News
10.50 Film: Strange Voices (1987). Earnest melodrama about a girl's mental breakdown and diagnosis as schizophrenic. When Nikki's behaviour becomes increasingly bizarre her family have to face up to difficult decisions about her future. Starring Stephen Macht, Valerie Harper, Nancy McKeon. Directed by Arthur Allan Seidelman
12.40am Film: Vault of Horror (1973). Stodgy portmanteau horror movie starring Anna Massey, Daniel Massey, Michael Craig and Denholm Elliott. A lift breaks down and leaves five people trapped in an underground vault. To pass the time until rescue, they take it in turns to recount their recent and vividly horrifying nightmares. Directed by Roy Ward Baker
2.15 Videofashion. Focusing on new styles in menswear
2.40 America's Top Ten with Tommy Puett and Casey Kasem
3.10 Quiz Night. The pub and club quiz show, hosted by Martin Roberts
3.40 The New Sessions. Rock music from Pulp 4.10 Windsurf
4.40 Fifty Years On (b/w). A look back at the events of early July 1941 as reported by the newsreels of the day including King George VI visiting a Canadian camp on Dominion day
5.00 Grand Ole Opry. Country music from Nashville, Tennessee
5.30 ITN Morning News with Phil Roman. Ends at 6.00

CHANNEL 4

6.00 The Channel Four Daily
9.25 Film: Dusty Ermine (1936, b/w). Dusty is the word for this British chase thriller starring Ronald Squire as a man who returns home after a jail sentence for forgery. When forged banknotes begin circulating, he comes under immediate suspicion but the culprit turns out to be his nephew. With Jane Baxter, Anthony Bushell and, in her first film, the priceless Margaret Rutherford. Directed by Bernard Vorhaus
11.00 As It Happens: On the Thames. Michael Groth continues his journey up the Thames, beginning at the Houses of Parliament and then visiting the luxury houseboats of Chelsea's Cheyne Walk (r)
12.00 The Parliament Programme. Yesterday's proceedings in both Houses
12.30 Business Daily presented by Susannah Simons
1.00 Sesame Street. Entertaining early learning series with guest Joe Williams (r)
2.00 Gallery. The informal arts quiz hosted by George Melly (r)
2.30 Channel 4 Racing from Newmarket. Brough Scott introduces live coverage of the 2.35, 3.10, 3.40 and 4.10 races
4.30 Countdown. Another round of the words and numbers game hosted by Richard Whiteley, with Richard Stilgoe in the dictionary corner
5.00 Laurel and Hardy. Cartoon adventures with Stan and Ollie



Dolly mixture: Parton on music, movies and marriage (5.05pm)

5.05 The Oprah Winfrey Show. Winfrey talks to country singer and actress Dolly Parton about her music, philosophy of life, her movies and her 25 year marriage
6.00 A Different World. Award-winning American sitcom set on a college campus. Matthew (Andrew Lowery) brings members of the National Theatre of the Deaf to perform at Walter's outreach centre
6.30 Tour de France. The fifth stage — Reims to Valenciennes, a distance of 145km
7.00 Channel 4 News with Nicholas Owen and Zeinab Badawi. (Teletext) Weather
7.50 Party Political Comment from a Conservative party politician
8.00 Brookside. Suburban Merseyside soap (Teletext)
8.30 Check Out '91 presented by Mike Embley. Education secretary Kenneth Clarke and his Labour shadow Jack Straw meet consumers and providers of education at two schools which disagree over opting out
9.00 Out. The lesbian and gay magazine. *Personal Best* celebrates lesbian and gay involvement in sports and fitness while *Talking Hairs* discusses gay fads and fetishes about hair. *Running Gay* features the 1990 Montreal Gay Games, where athletes talk about the pressures of being "out" in the sporting world
10.00 The Golden Girls. Sparkling sitcom about four matrons sharing a Miami house. Blanche (Rue McClanahan) falls for a very successful, very handsome businessman but his children are very young and she is not at all sure she wants to take on motherhood for the second time (r). (Teletext)
10.30 The New Statesman: Keeping Mum. Repeat of the wacky political comedy by Maurice Gran and Laurence Marks featuring Rik Mayall as the loathsome Tory MP Alan B'Stard. Alan intends to abolish all social security benefits for senior citizens but his plans backfire when he receives an unexpected visitor. With Michael Troughton, Marsha Fitzalan and Brenda Bruce (Teletext)
11.00 Just for Laughs: Paranoia. Muriel Gray and Jimmy Mulville present highlights from the annual Montreal Comedy Festival. Performers include Will Durst, Richard Jeni and Tom Kenny
11.30 Frank's Place. Predictable American sitcom about conservative Boston college professor Frank Parrish (Tim Reid) who inherits a New Orleans restaurant and its clientele
11.55 Film: Ake and his World (1984). A film from Sweden that combines a memoir of childhood with a fascinating exploration of life in a small rural community in the Thirties. Shy and sensitive six-year-old Ake (Martin Lindstrom) possesses an over-active imagination and requires constant protection from his parents, the family doctor and his sister. When Ake and his friend play a trick on a smaller boy, he quickly becomes convinced that retribution will follow — but from which of the village's weird inhabitants? Directed by Allan Edwall
1.50am Tour de France. A repeat of the programme shown at 6.30. Ends at 2.15

ITV VARIATIONS

ANGLIA
As London except: 6.25-7.00 Anglia News 12.40 Quiz Night 1.10 Top Ten 1.40 Blood and Orchids 3.20 Raw Power 4.20 Fifty Years On 4.40 Nashville Swing 5.05-5.30 Farming Diary

BORDER
As London except: 2.20-2.50 One to One 5.20-5.40 Home and Away 6.00 Lookaround Wednesday 8.30-7.00 Blockbusters 10.50 Magnum 11.50 North and South 1.35 Donahue 2.25 Video View 2.55 60 Minutes 3.50-5.30 Film: Indiscretion

CENTRAL
As London except: 6.25-7.00 Central News 10.50 Film: Morons from Outer Space 12.35 In the Heat of the Night 1.30 Manhattan Transfer 2.30 60 Minutes 3.20 Stand Up 3.5 Funny Fenn 4.20 Pick of the Week 4.50-5.30 Central Jobfinder '91

GRAMPIAN
As London except: 5.10pm-5.40 Home and Away 6.00 North Tonight 6.30-7.00 Blockbusters 10.50 Matlock 11.45 North and South 1.35 Donahue 2.25 Video View 2.55 60 Minutes 3.50-5.30 Film: Indiscretion

GRANADA
As London except: 6.30pm-7.00 Granada Tonight 10.50 Open Eye: Gambling For a Baby 11.45 North and South 1.35 Donahue 2.25 Video View 2.55 60 Minutes 3.50-5.30 Film: Indiscretion

HTV WEST
As London except: 1.50pm-2.20 The Young Doctors 3.25-3.55 A Country Practice 5.10-5.40 Home and Away 8.00 HTV News 8.30-7.00 Blockbusters

HTV WALES
As HTV West except: 6.00pm Wales at Six

SCOTTISH
As London except: 1.50pm Blockbusters 2.20-2.50 The Sullivans 3.25-3.55 Kitchen Garden 5.10-5.40 Home and Away 6.00 Scotland Today 6.30-7.00 Glaschu 12.40 Coach 1.05 Donahue 2.00 Lock In the Mirror 3.00 Film: The Captain 5.05-5.30 Jobfinder

TSW
As London except: 2.20pm-2.50 Aerobics 3.20-3.55 Home and Away 5.10-5.40 Take the High Road 8.00 TSW Today 8.30-7.00 Blockbusters 10.50 Legends of Malibu 11.50 North and South 1.35 Donahue 2.25 Video View 2.55 60 Minutes 3.50-5.30 Film: Indiscretion

TVS
As London except: 1.50pm-2.20 The Young Doctors 3.25-3.55 Sons and Daughters 5.10-5.40 Home and Away 8.00 Coast to Coast 6.30-7.00 Blockbusters 12.40 Film: Hidden Homicide 2.05 Donahue 3.00 Kojak 4.00 The Silk Road 5.00-5.30 America's Top Ten

TYNE TEES
As London except: 1.50pm-2.20 Farmhouse Kitchen 5.10-5.40 Home and Away 6.00 Northern Life 6.30-7.00 Blockbusters 10.45 Steven, Stef and Liz 11.15 The Royal Show 11.50 North and South 1.35 Donahue 2.25 Video View 2.55 60 Minutes 3.50-5.30 Film: Indiscretion

ULSTER
As London except: 1.50pm-2.20 Sons and Daughters 3.25-3.55 Who's the Boss? 5.10-5.40 Home and Away 5.00 Six Tonight 6.30-7.00 Blockbusters 10.50 The Billy Graham Experience 11.45 North and South 1.35 Donahue 2.25 Video View 2.55 60 Minutes 3.50-5.30 Film: Indiscretion

YORKSHIRE
As London except: 5.10pm-5.40 Home and Away 6.00 Calendar 6.30-7.00 Blockbusters 12.40 The Equalizer 1.35 William Tell 2.05 Quiz Night 2.35 The New Sessions 3.05 Comedy Tonight 3.30 Music Box 4.30-5.30 Jobfinder

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Starts: 6.00am C4 Daily 9.25 Sesame Street 10.20 Film: Espionage" 11.30 Bleddfdiod Rhyngwladol Llangollen 1991 12.30 Newyddion 12.40 Sioi Meithrin 1.00 Countdown 1.30 Business Daily 2.00 Bleddfdiod Rhyngwladol Llangollen 4.00 Channel 4 Racing from Newmarket 4.30 Dennis 4.45 Kate and Allie 5.15 Brookside 5.45 Hena 6.00 Newyddion 6.10 Hena 6.40 Now You're Talking 7.00 Hel Straeon 7.30 Ar Y Tir 8.00 Tour de France 8.30 Newyddion 8.55 Film: Calls 10.45 Replay: The Affair 11.00 The New Statesman 11.30-12.30 Out

RTE 1
Starts: 2.40pm Oireachtas Report 3.00 News followed by Sam 4.00 News followed by Emmerdale 4.30 Against the Wind 5.20 Quaqquaq 5.30 A Country Practice 6.00 The Angelus 6.01 Six-One 6.30 Bugs Bunny 6.40 Great Expectations 7.35 Life Goes On 8.30 The Radharc Documentary 9.00 News 9.20 Echoes 10.15 Making News 11.15 News 11.25 Close

NETWORK 2
Starts: 3.15pm Bosco 3.45 Little Zoo 3.50 Edward and Friends 3.55 Sharky and George 4.20 T-Bag and the Rings of Olympus 4.40 Film: Daylight Robbery 5.40 Dangarbey 6.00 Gentle Ben 6.25 Home and Away 6.55 Nuacht 7.00 The Poetry Book 7.05 Perfect Strangers 7.30 Coronation Street 8.00 News followed by Showjumping from Saithil 9.30 News followed by Dempsey and Makepeace 10.30 Baghdad Cafe 10.55 News 11.10 Oireachtas Report 11.35 Close

SATELLITE

SKY ONE
● Via the Astra and Marcopolo satellites.
6.00am The DJ Kat Show 8.35 Mrs Pepperpot 8.45 Playabout 9.00 Card Sharks 9.30 Mr Ed 10.00 The Lucy Show 10.30 The Young Doctors 11.00 The Bold and the Beautiful 11.30 The Young and the Restless 12.30pm Sale of the Century 1.00 True Confessions 1.30 Another World 2.20 Santa Barbara 2.45 Wife of the Week 3.15 Bewitched 3.45 The DJ Kat Show 5.00 Different Strokes 5.30 Mahale's Navy 9.00 Family Ties 6.30 Sale of the Century 7.00 Love at First Sight 7.30 Anything for Money 8.00 "V" 9.00 Equal Justice 10.00 Love at First Sight 10.30 The Hitchhiker 11.00 Mickey Spillane's Mike Hammer 12.00 Twist in the Tale 12.30am China — The Unveiled Highlands: Second of a four-part documentary 1.30 Pages from Skytext

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News on the hour.
5.00am Sunrise 5.30 Newsline 9.30 Dayline 10.30 Fashion TV 11.00 International Business Report 11.30 Dayline 12.30pm CBS News 1.30 CBS News 2.30 Parliament Live 3.30 Parliament Live 4.30 Fashion TV 5.00 Live at Five 6.30 Newsline 9.30 Fashion TV 10.30 Newsline 11.30 CBS News 12.30am Newsline 1.30 CBS News 2.30 Beyond 2000 3.30 CBS News 4.30 Beyond 2000

SKY MOVIES+
● Via the Astra and Marcopolo satellites.
6.00am Showcase, incl at 8.40 Entertainment Tonight
10.00 Cold River (1982): When their father dies in the Adirondack wilderness, two teenagers must learn to fend for themselves
12.00 Heartbreak Hotel (1988): To revive their sick mother, two children kidnap her idol, Elvis Presley. Starring David Keith and Tuesday Weld
2.00pm Boundaries of the Heart (1988): A woman plays a dangerous romantic game with a long-standing boyfriend. Starring Wendy Hughes
4.00 Oh God! Book II (1980): George Burns returns as the Supreme Being
5.40 Entertainment Tonight
6.00 Teen Wolf Too (1987): Jason Bateman stars as the cousin of the first teen wolf, who must come to terms with his family's lycanthropic history
7.35 Carry On Chaos
8.10 Red Scorpion (1989): A Russian agent is sent to Africa to murder a hostile rebel agent. Starring Dolph Lundgren and M. Emmet Walsh
10.00 Blue Angel Café (1989): A successful, married man spends a night of passion with Blue Angel and lives to regret it
11.40 Cherry 2000 (1987): Science-fiction adventure in which a man searches for the spare parts for his robotic lover. Starring David Andrews and Melanie Griffith
1.15am How I Got Into College (1989): Comedy about a teenage boy's efforts to gain entrance into the same college as his dream girl. Starring Corey Parker and Lara Flynn Boyle
2.40 Pathfinder (1987): A Nordic adventure set a thousand years ago in which a young boy sets off to avenge the murder of his parents. Starring Mildef Gaup
4.05 Hiding Out (1988): A bonds trader falls foul of the Mob and goes back to school disguised as a teenager. Ends at 5.45

THE MOVIE CHANNEL
● Via the Astra and Marcopolo satellites.
6.15am The Bradys: Big Kids, Big Problems (1988): Another slice of life with the Brady Bunch
8.15 The Talk of the Town (1942, b/w): A girl falls in love with both a suspected murderer and the lawyer who is defending him. Starring Ronald Colman
10.20 Columbo: Agenda for Murder: Columbo (Peter Falk) matches wits with a brilliant but murderous attorney
12.15pm The Adventures of Gerard (1970): The comic adventures of a foolish officer who becomes a fall-guy for Napoleon
2.15 Last of the Red Hot Lovers (1972): Alan Arkin plays a restaurateur who tries to rekindle lost passions by entertaining a series of women at his mother's apartment
4.15 Comet Quest (1986): A "claymation" fantasy adventure in which Mark Twain attempts to rendezvous with Halley's comet
5.50 Spotlight
6.15 All Coming Last Love (1975): A New York millionaire romances a musical star. Starring Burt Reynolds and Cybill Shepherd
8.15 On the Waterfront (1954, b/w): Classic Fifties feature starring Marlon Brando
10.15 I Saw What You Did (1988): Two teenage girls dial telephone numbers at random and whisper "I saw what you did". But their prank backfires
11.50 A Private Function (1984): Alan Bennett's second world war comedy about a chiropodist and a black-market pig. Starring Michael Palin and Maggie Smith
1.30am Bates Motel (1987): Norman Bates bequeathes the notorious Bates Motel to his young friend Alex. Starring Bud Cort
3.05 The Pope of Greenwich Village (1984): Starring Mickey Rourke and Eric Roberts. Ends at 5.05

SKY SPORTS
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2.00pm Test Match Cricket 4.00 Watersports 5.00 Motorsport Review 6.00 Fishing the West 7.00 Dressage 8.00 Australian Rugby League 10.00 Torque 11.00 Wrestling 12.00 Australian Rugby League

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● Via the Astra satellite.
10.00am The Great American Gameshows 11.15 Coffee Break 11.20 Workout 11.50 Pizza Gourmet 12.15pm Sally Jessy Raphael 1.05 What's New 1.10 Search For Tomorrow 1.40 The Edge of the Night 2.05 Afternoon Cinema: Dishonoured Lady 4.00 Tea Break 4.10 The Mothers-In-Law 4.40 The Great American Gameshows 5.00 The Sell-a-Vision Shopping Programme 8.00 Close 10.00 The Sell-a-Vision Shopping Programme 12.00 Satellite Jukebox

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RADIO 3

6.35-6.55am Open University (FM only): Social Science Foundation Course — Assignment 103
7.00 Morning Concert: Crusell (Sinfonia concertante, Op 3: Tapiola Sinfonietta under Osmo Vänskä, with Anna Maija Korsimaa-Hursti, clarinet, László Hara, bassoon, Ib Lanzky-Otto, horn)
7.30 News
7.35 Morning Concert (cont): Schumann (Faust Overture: New Philharmonia under Otto Klemperer); Mendelssohn (Piano Trio No 1 in D minor, Op 49: Borodin Trio); Perry (Elegy for Brahms: LPO under Adrian Boult)
8.30 News
8.35 Composers of the Week: Beethoven. Sextet, Op 71 (Netherlands Wind Ensemble); Adelaide (Fritz Wunderlich, tenor, Hubert Giesen, piano); Trio in E flat, Op 1 No 1 (Wilhelm Kempf, piano, Henryk Szeryng, violin, Pierre Fournier, cello)
9.35 Midweek Choice, with Susan Sharpe. Haydn (Symphony No 68 in B flat: Philharmonia Hungarica under Antal Dorati); Liszt (Piano Sonata in B minor: Claudio Arrau, piano); Britten (Cantata academica, Op 62: Soloists: LSO and Chorus under George Malcolm); Ravel (String Quartet in F: Emerson String Quartet); Dohnányi (Konzertstück in D, Op 12: LSO under Charles Mackerras, with Raphael Wallfisch, cello); Zabel (The Fountain: David Watkins, harp)
11.55 Bach and Rameau: Orchestra of the Age of Enlightenment under Gustav Leonhardt performs Bach (Concerto in D for three violins, BWV 1064: Elizabeth Wallfisch, Catherine Mackintosh, Pavlo Beznosiuk); Rameau (Suite, Les Paladins) (r)
1.00pm News
1.05 Concert Hall: Live from Broadcasting House, London. Anthony Goldstone, piano, Caroline Clemmow, piano, perform Rimsky-Korsakov (Sheherazade — composer's version for piano duet)
2.00 Ulster Orchestra under Stewart Bedford performs Poulenc (Deux marches et un intermède); Debussy (Saxophone Rhapsody: John Harle); Berkeley (Symphony No 1 in C) (r)
2.50 Vintage Years: The pianist Julius Katchen plays Liszt (Mephisto Waltz No 1); Britten (Diversions for piano, left hand, and orchestra, Op 21: LSO under the composer); Brahms (Variations on a Theme by Handel)
4.00 Choral Evensong: Live from Winchester Cathedral
5.00 Debu Chaudhuri: Live from the BBC Concert Hall. The Indian sitar player performs ragas for the early evening. With Prateek Chaudhuri, second sitar, Manjusree Chaudhuri, tambura, and Ashis Sengupta, tabla
5.45 Mainly for Pleasure, with Fritz Spiegl
7.00 News
7.05 New York Streetscapes: 1107 5th Avenue. The architectural historian Christopher Gray explores the changing landscape of the city through the first of three New York addresses (r)
7.30 BBC Welsh Symphony Orchestra under Tadeusz Otaka performs Mozart (Overture, The Marriage of Figaro; Piano Concerto No 23 in A, K 488: Howard Shelley; Ch'io mi scordi di te, K 505: Margaret Price, soprano, Graham Johnson, piano); Strauss (Four Last Songs; Tod und Verklärung)
9.10 Footsteps from the Finland Station: The Triumph of the Pope. Michael Charlton examines the third of five landmarks in the collapse of communism (r)
9.55 Schubert Ensemble of London performs Mahler (Quartet movement in A minor); Brahms (Piano Quartet No 1 in G minor) (r)
10.50 BBC Singers in Helsinki: Simon Joly conducts the second of two programmes from this year's Helsinki Biennale. Messiaen (Cinq Rechants); Mason (Oil or petrol marks on a wet road are sometimes held to be spots where a rainbow stood); Saxon (Chaconne); Ligeti (Ejszaka; Reggel, Night and Morning) 11.30 News
11.35-12.35am Composers of the Week: Polish Romantics. Zarebski (Piano Quintet in G minor, Op 34); Karlowicz (Lithuanian Rhapsody, Op 11) (r)
1.00-2.25 Night School (FM only) (except in Scotland)

RADIO 4

(s) Stereo on FM
5.55am Shipping Forecast 6.00 News Briefing, incl 6.03 Weather 6.10 Farming Today 6.25 Prayer for the Day 6.30 Today, incl 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 News 8.58 Weather
9.00 News 9.05 Midweek
10.00 News; Gardeners' Question Time (r)
10.30 Morning Story: The Bookshop on Platform 13, by Richard Huggett. Read by Graham Wyles
10.45 Daily Service (s)
11.00 News; File on 4 (r)
11.42 The Parts: Carol Vorderman reports on bacteria tailored to clean up waste, and new kinds of CDs
12.00 News; You and Yours
12.25pm The Litmus Test: Biologists Bob Ralph and Aubrey Manning and physicists Alex Cunningham and Howie Firth join Michael Scott in a light-hearted investigation of science (s) 12.55 Weather
1.00 The World at One
1.35 A Party Political Broadcast by the Labour party
1.40 The Archers (r) 1.55 Shipping
2.00 News; Woman's Hour: Includes an interview with the actress Theresa Russell; MPs Julian Critchley and Margaret Mowlem discuss the former's book *Hung Parliament*; there is an item on writing by Muslim women; and a look at a report which cites that 46 per cent of homeless women have psychiatric problems
3.00 News; Confidential Agent: A Husband Scorned, by Nick McCarty. Investigating the second of four cases, private detective Liz Parker is attracted to a man whose wife has disappeared (s)
3.47 Enquire Within
4.00 News
4.05 Cab
● CHOICE: Damon Runyon and W.W. Jacobs would have loved Adrian Quine's compilation of tales told, in the first person, by London and New York taxi-drivers and one of their wives. One wonders, in fact, whether these little masterpieces of reminiscence subconsciously owe their style and content to the cabbies having read Runyon or Jacobs. We learn, *inter alia*, why Elizabeth Taylor is considered to be a baracuda, and why a regular supply of free theatre tickets threatened to bankrupt one cabby. No solution is offered to the mystery of the homosexual paraplegic dwarf who, though armless, managed to open the taxi door (s)
4.30 Kaleidoscope: Paul Gambaccini reviews Ridley Scott's latest film *Thelma and Louise*; Mervyn Williams visits the St Albans Organ Festival; Peter Kemp reviews *Sex Please We're Italian* at the Young Vic; and Nigel Andrews reports on the making of Paul Shrader's new film *Light Sleeper* (s)
5.00 PM 5.50 Shipping Forecast 5.55 Weather
6.00 Six O'Clock News; Financial Report
6.30 Brain of Britain 1991 (s) (r)
7.00 News 7.05 The Archers
7.20 Age to Age (r)
7.45 Medicine Now (r)
8.15 A Forum on the Future of the Nation State: John Simpson chairs a discussion among an international audience in the Grand Committee Room of the House of Commons. Leading the debate are John MacGregor, MP, leader of the House of Commons; Jacques Attali, president of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development; Oleg Rumyancev, chairman of the Social Democratic party of the Russian Federation; and Dimitrij Rupel, foreign minister of the Yugoslavian republic of Slovenia (s)
9.15 Kaleidoscope (s) (r)
9.45 The Financial World Tonight (s) 9.59 Weather
10.00 The World Tonight (s)
10.45 A Book at Bedtime: Full House, by Molly Keane (8 of 10)
11.00 Musician at Large: Those Damned Dots. Steve Race celebrates 50 years as a broadcaster (3 of 5)
11.30 Today in Parliament
12.00-12.30am News 12.27 Weather 12.39 Shipping

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Archbishop warns charismatics against attempts to impose their views

Carey speaks up for other faiths

By Ruth Gledhill

THE Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr George Carey, gave a warning to a conference of charismatics yesterday that they should not impose their views on those of other faiths.

In a strong statement which will reassure people of other faiths, such as Judaism, who have expressed fears about the aims of some during his declared decade of evangelism, the archbishop drew a distinction between proselytism and evangelism. His words were a note of caution to those fundamentalists who believe that some gospel passages, in particular in the book of St John, are a mandate for the conversion of the world's 1.2 billion unevangelised.

Dr Carey said: "True evangelism is never imposed, it is lived, then believed ... Proselytism is the imposition of my faith on you, it is not taking into account your culture, needs or your history."

He was speaking at an international conference of 2,500 Roman Catholic, Anglican, Pentecostal and other charismatics, from more than 100 countries. Prophecy, miraculous healings, "signs and wonders" and other ecstatic experiences, are all on the agenda at the week-long conference at the Brighton Centre.

Dr Carey said afterwards that the charismatic movement should open itself to theological criticism and enquiry. "Any group which emphasises experience always has the problem of the vociferous tendency," he said. Academic study should underpin experience, just as experience underpins academic study.

The archbishop, who acknowledged his own debt to the movement, said it was reaching maturity and could soon be an "important and significant part of tradition".

He preached at a morning communion service yesterday, and at the end hundreds of Anglican and Protestant charismatics joined in "glossalalia", speaking and singing in tongues. However, Dr Carey remained silent. He said afterwards: "I am a charismatic in the sense that every Christian is, in the sense of openness to the holy spirit. I do not like labels. I want to affirm all that is good about charismatic renewal."

In his sermon, he said charismatics were sometimes in danger of embracing a non-biblical "Jesuology" because of their emphasis on Christ. But he said: "I have every reason to be personally grateful for the impact of charismatic renewal."

Dr Carey painted a picture of a Western church in crisis. He has repeatedly said that the decade of evangelism in Britain is a "make or break" time for the church. "Some of our churches are facing a great time of trial, persecution and social disorder; all are facing complex moral issues; some face the stagnation which is one of the consequences of the apathy which surrounds the Western church," he said.

● New bishop: A bishop who has achieved a reputation for bridge-building between people of different faiths and traditions, is to become the new Bishop of Southwark. The Right Rev Roy Williamson, an evangelical, who survived a heart attack four years ago, was surprised by his appointment. He had thought his medical history would put him out of the running.

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TONY WHITE



Moving spirit: Carey preaching to charismatics at the Brighton Centre yesterday. The international conference promises signs and wonders

Political sketch

Toadying: the art of going plonk

YOU have to feel sorry for the government whips. They are responsible for rigging prime minister's questions: planting plonking questions on to plonking Tories so that John Major can plant his plonking answers on to us. Whips are chosen for their ability to choreograph a display of synchronised toadying.

But they can't do it without the toads. And Tory toads of calibre are getting hard to find.

There's no shortage of toads as such. Looking down into the chamber yesterday was like inspecting a ditch: little amphibians everwhere, peering wartily up from the lilies. Yet so few can toady well. They croak at the wrong time. They unroll their tongues when they should be standing on their heads waving their legs in the air.

Aware of the limitations of his material, the chief whip has been giving the toads ever simpler routines to perform. He used to prime each with a different question but, though Mr Major could remember the answers, the toads kept forgetting the questions. So this week he seemed to have given nearly *all* of them the same one: "Invite the PM to condemn Labour's links with the unions, *or* their minimum wage policy".

Or was it a coincidence? To Robert Banks (C, Harrogate), who condemned union block votes at Labour conferences, Mr Major offered a word-perfect sound bite. John Butterfill (C, Bournemouth W) asked about both the minimum wage *and* the unions ("18 out of 20" of Labour's front bench were union-sponsored). Major was ready. Nor did Graham Riddick (C, Colne Valley) find the PM unready for a "question" about Kinnock's reliance on unions. Major just happened to have a Ron Todd quote handy.

No editor will report any of this embarrassing rubbish, of course. A backbencher with the talent or experience to make a plant interesting would not stoop to accepting one, so the whip on duty is always going to end up with a cast of young greenhorns and old plonkers who do not seem to realise that they are being made fools of. The whips do not seem to realise that they are making a fool of the prime minister. The prime minister, presumably, does not realise he is making a fool of himself.

Not that the afternoon was without surprises. John Smith (Vale of Glamorgan) pleaded for the future of the Royal Welch Fusiliers, the surprise being that Mr Smith is a Labour man.

I have to inform him that *Labour* MPs are in favour of uneconomic pits. Uneconomic *regiments* are the preserve of Tory MPs. Soon the familiar litany will begin:

● The regiment (*/pit*) isn't uneconomic.

● Even if it *is* uneconomic now, who knows when it may be needed? Destroy it and it can never be revived.

● Cuts would undermine the integrity and morale of the whole army (*/industry*). Accountants look at the individual parts: wise politicians stand back and look at the entirety.

● This regiment (*/pit*) has great achievements to its credit in recent years. Now they kick it in the teeth.

● This will destroy the local economy, which needs the regiment (*/pit*). Whole communities will go under.

● The Royal Welch Fusiliers (Barnsley Main) are (*/is*) a local tradition. Does pride mean nothing? Soldiers (*/miners*) are not just figures on a balance sheet ... blah, blah, blah.

Then comes the counterblast. The MP concerned has family or career connections with the army (*/is* sponsored by the NUM).

Oh yes: sketch writers are looking forward to the defence review.

Matthew Parris

Threat to the uneasy peace in Yugoslavia

Continued from page 1

assuage public opinion, which considers that the newly independent republic gave too much away in return for too little at the talks.

The parliament will vote today on whether to approve the terms of the Brioni agreement. While it is unlikely that it will be rejected, there is widespread feeling among the deputies that the leadership should not have given away control at the borders and custom arrangements. President Milas Kucan has defended the agreement as an essential condition of Slovenia securing international recognition. The parliamentary Speaker, France Bucar, has made clear his own dissatisfaction with the terms, which he describes as having been "dictated by Europe" and "akin to a surrender". This split at the top is likely to be repeated in the voting, although the leadership put on a unified face to urge parliament to accept the deal.

On the main highways out of Ljubljana, the territorial defence troops spent yesterday removing barricades and anti-tank traps.

In Croatia, however, skirmishes continued to heighten the tensions between the leadership in Zagreb and the federal presidency.

Bush to lift sanctions on Pretoria

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be held open for participation by South African athletes.

Keba M'Baye of Senegal, a judge of the international court at The Hague and chairman of the IOC's apartheid commission, said: "Our decision will contribute to normalisation of sport in South Africa."

The apartheid commission, six of whose ten members, including Mr M'Baye, are African, reached its conclusion yesterday after meeting the Interim National Olympic Committee of South Africa (Inocsa) in Lausanne. The recommendation was immediately ratified by Juan Antonio Samaranch, the IOC president. Not one African on the commission or Inocsa challenged the permanent implementation of the conditional readmission granted to South Africa in March.

The IOC protected itself by the final clause of its statement of approval: that this was subject to revision "in the light of determining events related to sport in South Africa". This is no more than already specified in the Olympic Charter, and emphasises the IOC's prerogative if Pretoria should reimpose legalised racial discrimination.

Señor Samaranch immediately drafted a letter to Sam Ramsamy, the president of Inocsa and now of the fully-fledged body, urging intensification on work to unify South African sports non-racially; to accelerate normalisation of relationships with international sports bodies; to pursue normalisation with African sports federations; to seek assurance from competent authorities on the availability of South African sports facilities without race distinction; and to pursue effective developments of athletes from all races.

The commission chose to ignore the non-appearance at yesterday's meeting of representatives of the South African Council on Sport, which is resisting the return to international sport. The council's position was seemingly regarded as unrepresentative of the majority of non-white South African opinion.

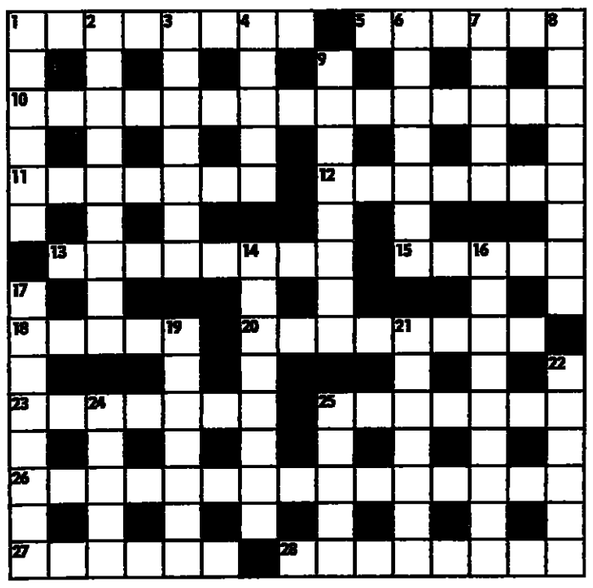
In another development today, Harry Schwarz, the South African ambassador to Washington, will hand State Department officials papers showing that Pretoria has signed the international Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty. South Africa operates one nuclear power station and a uranium enrichment plant. The government has denied persistent reports that it is developing a nuclear weapon with Israel. South Africa is the world's third largest producer of uranium, behind Australia and the United States.

TOMORROW IN THE TIMES

All children at one time or another seem sad, anxious, distraught. In adults this would often be identified as depression, but until the last few years depression in children was simply not recognised, at least not before adolescence. But a study by the Nuffield child psychiatry unit at Newcastle University shows that childhood depression not only exists, but is common. One third of 300 children aged between nine and 16 were found to be deeply depressed. Liz Hodgkinson reports for *Times* Health

Black out: Nick Nuttall talks to the British researcher who tomorrow will stand on a baseball field in Hawaii armed with a stopwatch to measure the total eclipse of the sun

THE TIMES CROSSWORD PUZZLE NO 18,654



ACROSS

1 Go back inside — downright presumptuous! (8).
5 Walked leisurely behind a doctor (6).
10 Backing the prospects not obvious to the public (6,3,6).
11 Descriptive language in publication that is outside the limits of respectability (7).
12 Upset about some work experience (7).
13 Job comes before his poetry (8).
15 Poor observer in army operational sector (5).
18 Outlets from sinks (5).
20 One at the start of courtship is married — what a faux pas! (8).
23 Legendary bird monarch, dancing (7).
25 I repair broken-down schooner, perhaps (7).
26 Transfer in order to be next to the boss (6,2,7).
27 New York poem, reviewed in Leningrad, for example (6).
28 Dark horse, possibly, holding a practice session (8).

DOWN

1 It is under a pound — expensive at first sight though (6).
2 Soldiers listen to girl's recital (9).
3 Well-bred fellow — an evasive person (7).
4 Crazy letter from abroad ends in doubt about insanity (5).
6 First Scot on the road? (7).
7 Enrol in movement one who avoids others (5).
8 Find out about messy divorces (8).
9 Leave occupied premises, covered by genuine compensation (8).
14 Unexpected gain is in the stars, perhaps (8).
16 Sharp-eyed old black man (9).
17 Ancient Jewish sectarian hothead occupying capital quarters (8).
19 Man of intelligence accommodates perhaps nine in brake (7).
21 Two fellows who translated epics (7).
22 Offer to ride bicycle, say (6).
24 Ring accountants at the top of the tree (5).
25 Rate fixer — expert in image building (5).

Solution to Puzzle No 18,653

H	E	L	I	P	O	R	T	■	R	■	O	■	G	
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This puzzle was solved within 30 minutes by 43 per cent of the competitors at the 1991 Glasgow regional final of The Times Collins Dictionaries Crossword Championship.

WORD WATCHING

A daily safari through the language jungle. Which of the possible definitions is correct?

By Philip Howard

TIGER TEAM
a. Ayr United
b. Computer hackers
c. Lloyds insurance agents

JACTATION
a. A throwing
b. Boasting
c. An eruption of spots

TEAGLE
a. To flatter
b. A hoist or lift
c. A beagle terrier

TAUBE
a. Anchovy dip
b. A German money-lender
c. A plane with curved wings

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WEATHER

Bright in England, Wales and central and eastern Scotland after some early fog, although western parts will become cloudier later. Northern Ireland and western parts of Scotland will be cloudier with outbreaks of drizzle but becoming more widespread and heavier during the evening. Temperatures around or a little above the seasonal norm. Outlook: changeable with rain or showers in all parts.

ABROAD

MIDDAY: t=thunder; d=drizzle; fg=fog; s=sun; sl=sleet; sn=snow; f=fair; c=cloud; r=rain

	C	F			C	F	
Ajaccio	27	81	s	Majorca	33	91	s
Akrotiri	28	82	s	Malaga	30	86	s
Alex'dria	27	81	s	Malta	27	81	s
Algiers	28	82	s	Melb'rne	12	54	f
Amst'dm	16	61	c	Mexico C*	22	72	f
Athens	29	84	f	Miami*	32	90	s
Bahrain	35	95	s	Milan	31	88	f
Bangkok	31	88	s	Montreal*	23	73	s
Barbados*	29	84	r	Moscow	20	68	c
Barcelna	29	84	s	Munich	19	66	r
Belgrade	31	88	f	Nairobi	23	73	c
Berlin	22	72	c	Naples	29	84	s
Bermuda*	25	79	r	N Delhi	37	99	s
Biarritz	23	73	c	N York*	32	90	s
Borde'x	23	73	f	Nice	25	77	s
Brussels	17	63	c	Oslo	24	75	f
Budapst	31	88	f	Paris	21	70	s
B Aires*	16	61	c	Peking	28	79	c
Cairo	31	88	f	Perth	14	57	d
Cape Tn	16	64	f	Prague	21	70	f
Chicago*	24	75	s	Reykjavik	20	68	s
Ch'church	8	46	c	Rhodes	29	84	s
Cologne	22	72	s	Rio de J	22	72	s
C'phagn	22	72	c	Riyadh	36	97	s
Corfu	29	84	s	Rome	28	79	s
Dublin	17	63	f	Salzburg	20	68	c
Faro	28	84	s	Santiago*	11	52	r
Florence	32	90	s	S Paulo*	22	72	s
Frankfurt	27	81	f	Seoul	25	77	r
Funchal	23	73	s	Sing'por	31	88	f
Geneva	26	79	s	St'kholm	27	81	s
Gibraltar	24	75	s	Strasb'rg	25	79	f
Helsinki	25	77	s	Sydney	17	63	f
Hong K	30	86	f	Tangier	33	91	s
Innsbruck	21	70	c	Tel Aviv	28	82	s
Istanbul	26	79	f	Tenerife	29	84	s
Jeddah	33	91	s	Tokyo	30	86	c
Jo'burg*	14	57	s	Toronto*	24	75	s
Karachi	34	93	s	Tunis	30	86	s
L Palmas	25	77	s	Valencia	31	88	f
Le Touet	17	63	f	Vanc'ver*	18	66	s
Lisbon	31	88	s	Venice	30	86	s
Locarno	26	79	c	Vienna	30	86	f
London	20	68	c	Warsaw	31	88	f
L Angels*	19	66	c	Wash'ton*	35	95	f
Luxembg	21	70	f	Wel'ton	12	54	c
Madrid	32	90	f	Zurich	21	70	c

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	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	2.23	2.08
Austria Sch	21.70	20.20
Belgium Fr	69.50	59.50
Canada $	1.975	1.825
Denmark Kr	11.92	11.17
Finland Mkk	7.44	6.99
France Fr	10.41	9.76
Germany Dm	3.08	2.88
Greece Dr	333.00	313.00
Hong Kong $	13.20	12.20
Ireland Pt	1.15	1.06
Italy Lira	2300.00	2150.00
Japan Yen	241.50	223.50
Netherlands Gld	3.48	3.24
Norway Kr	12.07	11.27
Portugal Esc	267.25	249.25
South Africa Rd	5.55	5.05
Spain Pta	192.00	179.00
Sweden Kr	11.20	10.45
Switzerland Fr	2.655	2.495
Turkey Lira	7600.00	6900.00
USA $	1.72	1.595
Yugoslavia Dnr	DNB	40.00

Rates for small denomination bank only as supplied by Barclays Bank PLC. Different rates apply to travellers' cheques.

GLASGOW

Yesterday: Temp: max 6am to 8pm, 18C (64F); min 6pm to 6am, 13C (55F). Rain: 24hr to 6pm, 0.3 in. Sun: 24hr to 6pm, 5 hr.

ROUND BRITAIN

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
Aberdeen	0.6	.02	17	63	rain
Belfast	5.5	.16	19	66	bright
Birmingham	1.2	.15	19	66	rain
Blackpool	2.0	.53	19	66	rain
Bognor Regis	1.4	.08	18	64	rain
Bournemouth	-	.30	17	63	rain
Bristol	1.1	.13	19	66	shower
Cardiff	0.7	.28	19	66	rain
Clacton	2.1	.02	20	68	cloudy
Cromer	7.0	.04	24	75	sunny
Eastbourne	0.6	.08	19	66	rain
Edinburgh	1.9	.48	21	70	rain
Folkestone	2.8	.13	18	64	rain
Glasgow	1.9	1.41	20	68	thundr
Hastings	1.7	.23	19	66	rain
Leeds	0.9	-	20	68	cloudy
London	2.2	-	20	68	cloudy
Lowestoft	5.8	.04	22	72	sunny
Manchester	0.9	.08	20	68	shower
Morecambe	1.6	.06	20	68	rain
Nottingham	2.2	.39	19	66	rain
Poole	-	.32	18	64	shower
Prestwick	1.5	.30	21	70	thundr
Sandown	-	.24	19	66	rain
Scarborough	4.4	.04	21	70	sunny
Southend	3.0	-	21	70	cloudy
Swanage	0.4	.37	16	61	shower
Teignmouth	1.9	.24	18	64	rain
Torquay	1.2	.30	19	66	cloudy
Weymouth	0.6	.20	16	61	rain

These are Monday's figures

LONDON AREA

Yesterday: Temp: max 6am to 6pm, 24C (75F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 15C (59F). Humidity: 6pm, 48 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 6pm, trace. Sun: 24hr to 6pm, 8.1 hr. Bar, mean sea level, 6pm, 1,021.7 millibars, rising. 1,000 millibars=29.53in.

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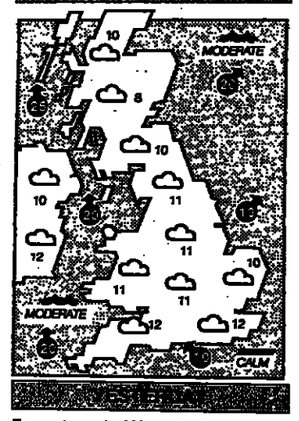
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Gwynedd & Clwyd	715
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W & S Yorks & Dales	717*
N E England	718*
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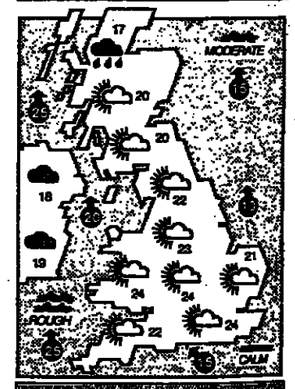
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TODAY



TOMORROW



Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

	C	F			C	F	
Belfast	17	63	f	Guernsey	17	63	s
B'rmgham	20	68	f	Inverness	16	61	c
Blackpool	16	61	c	Jersey	17	63	c
Bristol	18	64	f	London	20	68	c
Cardiff	18	64	c	M'chester	18	64	f
Edinburgh	16	61	f	Newcastle	17	63	f
Glasgow	16	61	f	R'nidaway	15	59	s

Monday: Highest day temp: Cromer, Norfolk, 24C (75F); lowest day max: Sella Ness, Shetland, and Gwennap Head, Cornwall, 15C (59F); highest rainfall: Glasgow, 1.41 in; highest sunshine: Cromer, Norfolk, 7.0 hr.

SUN

London 9.16 pm to 4.56 am
Bristol 9.26 pm to 5.06 am
Edinburgh 9.55 pm to 4.42 am
Manchester 9.36 pm to 4.53 am
Penzance 9.31 pm to 5.24 am

Sun rises: 4.55 am
Sun sets: 9.16 pm
Moon rises 2.53 am
Moon sets 8.26 pm
New moon tomorrow

RAIN

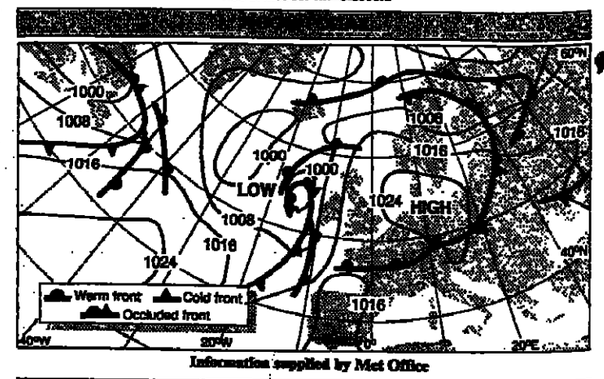
Yesterday: Temp: max 6am to 6pm, 19C (66F); min 6pm to 6am, 13C (55F). Rain: 24hr to 6pm, 0.09 in. Sun: 24hr to 6pm, 3.7 hr.

TIDES

TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT	TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	12.34	6.4	1.17	6.5	Liverpool	10.32	8.8	11.00	9.0
Aberdeen	12.18	3.8	12.48	4.0	Lowestoft	8.39	2.9	9.05	2.3
Avonmouth	6.22	12.0	6.50	12.4	Margate	11.19	4.4	11.41	4.5
Belfast	10.19	3.2	10.46	3.4	Milford Haven	5.23	6.3	5.49	6.5
Cardiff	6.07	11.1	6.35	11.5	Newquay	4.17	6.3	4.42	6.6
Devonport	5.05	4.8	5.35	5.1	Oban	5.23	3.5	5.35	3.6
Dover	10.15	6.1	10.39	6.3	Penzance	4.09	4.8	4.36	5.2
Falmouth	4.35	4.6	5.05	4.9	Portland	6.12	1.7	6.41	2.0
Glasgow			12.23	4.2	Portsmouth	10.43	4.2	11.00	4.5
Harwich	11.12	3.7	11.38	3.8	Shoreham	10.00	5.7	10.56	5.9
Holyhead	8.40	5.2	10.07	5.4	Southampton	10.16	4.2	10.33	4.3
Hull	5.33	6.6	6.04	6.8	Swansea	5.31	8.6	5.58	9.0
Ilfracombe	5.10	8.3	5.35	8.5	Tees	2.49	5.0	3.16	5.1
King's Lynn	5.3	5.9	6.00	6.1	W'ton-on-Nze	11.06	3.9	11.33	4.0
Leith	1.33	5.0	2.04	5.2					

Tide in metres: 1m=3.28ft.

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BUSINESS

WEDNESDAY JULY 10 1991

Business Editor
John Bell

French approve NEC stake in Bull

THE French government has given NEC, the Japanese computer group, the go-ahead to buy a 4.7 per cent stake in Groupe Bull, the French state-owned computer company.

The decision marks a climbdown by Edith Cresson, the prime minister, who has faced controversy over apparent anti-Japanese remarks. She ordered an investigation into the deal soon after assuming office.

The original agreement will go ahead with little modification, apart from a buyback call option, which the French government can exercise if the technological co-operation agreement between the two companies breaks down. A spokesman for Bull said this was "highly unlikely".

An agreement between NEC and Bull will be signed in September and will involve a share swap, under which Bull takes over NEC's 15 per cent in Bull HN Information Systems, Bull's American subsidiary, in exchange for a 4.7 per cent stake by NEC in the parent company.

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GMEN seeks Oyston removal

The Guardian and Manchester Evening News, owning 20 per cent of Trans World Communications, has served a notice calling for the removal of Owen Oyston, the chief executive, from Trans World's board.

GMEN has told Trans World it will not commit itself to supporting any rights issue to refinance the group while Mr Oyston remains a director. Trans World shares lost 1p at 88p. Mr Oyston and his family control nearly 30 per cent of Trans World. Derbyshire County Council has a 7.6 per cent stake.

Bonar down

Pre-tax profits at Low & Bonar, the packaging and plastics group, fell from £12.3 million to £11.3 million in the six months to May 31. The interim dividend is held at 2.7p a share. Tempus, page 23

THE POUND

US dollar
1.6235 (–0.0045)
German mark
2.9474 (–0.0011)
Exchange index
90.0 (same)

STOCK MARKET

FT 30 Share
1905.4 (+14.1)
FT-SE 100
2487.9 (+21.1)
New York Dow Jones
2962.43 (+0.44)*
Tokyo Nikkei Avge
22608.96 (+432.79)

MAJOR CHANGES

RISES:

Amersham	342½p (+10p)
Yule Catto	183p (+14p)
P Bilton	395p (+14p)
ADT	642½p (+25p)
Reuters	752½p (+11p)
Flogas	205p (+10p)
Arjo Wiggins	289p (+11p)
Howden	47p (+10p)
Blenheim Group	860p (+12p)
News Corp	362p (+12p)
Wellcome	701½p (+11p)
Commercial Union	517½p (+10p)
SmithKline Beech	802½p (+11½p)

FALLS:

Taylor Woodrow	206½p (–8p)
Beazer	71½p (–7p)
JIJ Group	102p (–8p)
BWI	120½p (–25p)
Hawker Siddeley	525p (–12p)
Linread	86½p (–12p)
Thomson Corp	805p (–10p)

INTEREST RATES

London: Bank Base: 11½%
3-month Interbank 11$^{3}_{32}$–11$^{1}_{32}$%
3-month eligible bills:10$^{11}_{16}$–10⅝%
US: Prime Rate 8½%
Federal Funds 5$^{13}_{16}$%*
3-month Treasury Bills 5.57-5.56%*
30-year bonds 95$^{13}_{16}$-95⅞*

CURRENCIES

London:	New York:
£: $1.6235	£: $1.6223*
£: DM2.9474	$: DM1.8175*
£: SwFr2.5513	$: SwFr1.5730*
£: FFr10.0032	$: FFr6.1660*
£: Yen224.86	$: Yen138.60*
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close $368.80-369.30 (£227.00-227.50)
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Comex $370.35-370.85*

NORTH SEA OIL

Brent (July) ..... $19.05 bbl ($19.15)
* Denotes latest trading price

RETAIL PRICES

RPI: 133.5 May (1987=100)

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BCCI liquidator considers making huge insurance claim

By Neil Bennett
Banking Correspondent

TOUCHE Ross is considering making a massive insurance claim to recover some of the millions of pounds lost in the fraud that caused the closure of the Bank of Credit and Commerce International.

The accountancy firm, which has been appointed BCCI's provisional liquidator, is looking into anti-fraud insurance taken out by the bank. BCCI held a bankers' blanket bond, an insurance policy covering banks from losses, including theft, forgery and fraud. The policy was written by Adamjee Insurance, Pakistan's largest insurance group, but was reinsured in London through Willis Corroon, the brokers. Most bankers' blanket bonds are reinsured at Lloyd's, but many Lloyd's underwriters shunned the policy, and it was instead supported by Assicurazioni Generali, the Italian insurer.

A spokesman for Willis confirmed it had placed the reinsurance, but refused to comment on the policy's terms since there was the possibility of a claim. Typical blanket bonds would cover a bank against fraud by staff but not by directors. This, however, may have been covered separately in a directors' and officers' liability policy.

Touche accountants are still trying to assess the state of BCCI's balance sheet throughout the world, but did not rule out the possibility of a claim to cover any shortfall in assets at BCCI.

BCCI was closed on Friday in a swoop by banking regulators worldwide after a Price Waterhouse report uncovered substantial fraud at a high level. Most of the bank's $20 billion asset book has now been frozen and the bank is being wound up.

In addition, as many as 20 councils around the country are counting the cost of banking with BCCI. York City Council could lose £1.3 million, which was due to be paid to the North Yorkshire County Council; while Allerdale District Council in Cumbria has had more than £1 million frozen even though BCCI was on a list of sound institutions prepared by the Bank of England only two weeks ago.

Touche's chain of small business advice centres opens today in Birmingham, Bristol, Glasgow, Leeds and Manchester. The London centre is already operating. The accountant has agreed to give free advice to small business customers of BCCI for six weeks and to help them find alternative banking facilities.

Executives from the Bank of England, led by Eddie George, the deputy governor, yesterday met monetary officials from Abu Dhabi to request they make good the BCCI losses. Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan al-Nahyan, the ruler of Abu Dhabi, is BCCI's 77 per cent shareholder.

The meeting was also attended by Pierre Jaans, director general of the Luxembourg Monetary Institute, which helped in the bank's closure, and Brian Smouha from Touche Ross, the supervisor in charge of the wordwide liquidation of BCCI. A spokesman for the Bank said the meeting was part of a continuing dialogue between the two sides. "We met with the representatives and had constructive discussions in a co-operative atmosphere."

The Bank of England has applied to the High Court for an earlier date for the official hearing to wind up BCCI. The hearing was brought forward from October to July 22, when the Bank will be forced to reveal the evidence on which it based its decision to close BCCI.

Bankers in Abu Dhabi scoffed last night at suggestions that the president, Sheikh Zayed, and his advisers were angry or bitter that they had not been informed about the Bank of England's actions in the BCCI affair.

BAA consternation at charge cut plan

CAA puts the squeeze on airport fees

By Matthew Bond

THE Civil Aviation Authority has proposed that aircraft charges at London's three international airports, Heathrow, Gatwick and Stansted, should be adjusted each year by 8 percentage points less than the rate of inflation.

Clifford Paice, the CAA's director of economic regulation, argued that the provisional formula for the years from 1992 to 1997 reflected the lower-than-average risk in owning the airports, all three of which belong to BAA, the privatised monopoly.

The CAA's 8 point discount to the RPI was double the figure recommended by a Monopolies and Mergers Commission report published yesterday, and caused consternation in the City and at BAA. Sir John Egan, chief executive of BAA, said the reduction in future revenues threatened the company's entire investment programme.

If the CAA proposals are implemented as they now stand, he warned, BAA's £1 billion plan to develop a fifth terminal at Heathrow and to spend £230 million on an express rail link between Heathrow and central London would be jeopardised.

Sir John said the CAA's formula had not been expected. "It was outside the range we had planned for and really now it is a question of reviewing our investment programme. We are not at all sure what the viability of the Terminal Five project at Heathrow would be."

He said the cost of landing a jet at Heathrow was already cheaper than at Frankfurt, Amsterdam-Schipol, or Paris-Charles de Gaulle. Under the new formula, landing at Heathrow would be cheaper than landing at Bombay.

The CAA's intervention overshadowed the MMC's "largely positive" report. The MMC, for instance, accepted BAA's argument that the cost of providing passenger car parking in the long term would rise and that it was, therefore, not appropriate to reduce car park charges.

The CAA also agreed with the MMC recommendation that the proportion of security costs BAA can recover from airlines should rise from 75 per cent to 85 per cent. BAA will also be able to recover any revenue lost when duty free shopping ends by levying higher airport charges.

At present, increases in charges that BAA can pass on to its airline customers are limited to one percentage point less than the forecast increase in the retail price index (known as RPI-1).

Yesterday's MMC report on BAA's second quinquennium (which begins next April) recommended that for the first three years airport charges should be limited to RPI-4. That would be followed by RPI-1 for the last two years to encourage BAA to make the £1 billion investment in Terminal 5. At Heathrow itself, charges could actually rise in real terms for the last two years, by RPI+1, as long as for the three London airports as a whole the total increase was limited to RPI-1. BAA had argued for RPI+0 at Heathrow and RPI-2 at Gatwick and Stansted.

The CAA, however, rejected the report's recommendation and BAA's submission. It is recommending a RPI-8 formula for the full five-year period. Mr Paice said the effect of the CAA's proposal would be to reduce BAA's return on capital to 7 per cent. The MMC's RPI-4 formula give a return of 8 per cent.

BAA will be pressing the CAA to review its proposals, ahead of a final deadline in October. "We will now be entering into a period of intensive discussions with our customers and the CAA to resolve these incompatabilities," said Sir John.

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Output data set stage for rate cut

By Colin Narbrough, Economics Correspondent

AN ANNUAL rise of 5.7 per cent in factory gate prices in June was the lowest for 15 months, increasing the government's scope for an early cut in interest rates, possibly as soon as Friday.

Importantly, provisional government figures published yesterday showed a marked slowdown in core inflation in manufacturers' output prices, giving support to survey evidence from the Confederation of British Industry that underlying inflationary pressures have been reduced.

Reflecting the recession, output prices for domestic sales were unchanged between May and June, after a 0.3 per cent rise in May. This slowed the annual increase from 6 to 5.7 per cent in May.

Excluding food, drink and tobacco prices, however, output prices, after seasonal adjustment, slowed from May's 5.5 per cent to 5.2 in June, the lowest since December 1988.

Keith Skeoch, chief economist at James Capel, said the figures were symptomatic of a sharp drop in core inflation of a magnitude last seen when the oil price collapsed in 1986.

The CBI estimates that factory gate prices over the three months to June were rising at an annualised 4.2 per cent. When food, drink and tobacco are excluded, the rate drops to 3.8 per cent.

The CBI said the data "showed clearly the room the Chancellor has for further, prompt interest rate cuts to give a timely boost to business confidence".

Nick Stamenkovic, economist at DKB International, said the producer price data provided the government with a window of opportunity to lower rates, provided tomorrow's Bundesbank meeting leaves German rates the same.

The prices manufacturers pay for fuel and raw materials meanwhile rose a provisional 0.1 per cent between May and June for an annual rise of 1.2 per cent, after an annual 0.4 fall in May, largely reflecting the stronger dollar.

Ian Harnett, chief economist at Strauss Turnbull, saw the jump in input prices limiting manufacturers' ability to lower output prices in three to six months' time. Even so, he expects annual inflation in output prices to be down to 4.5 per cent in the last quarter.

Retail price data on Friday are expected to show annual inflation dropping from 5.8 per cent in May to 5.7 in June.



DENZIL McNEELANCE

Remand held over: Asil Nadir arriving at Bow Street magistrates court yesterday

Polly Peck £25m 'not taken from Cyprus'

By Angela Mackay

A REPORT by Binder Hamlyn, the accountants commissioned by Asil Nadir's lawyers, purports to show that no money relating to £25 million of theft charges is missing from Polly Peck International's subsidiaries in northern Cyprus.

Solicitors from SJ Berwin and Vizards, representing Polly Peck's chairman and biggest shareholder, said the report by Binder Hamlyn was sent to the Serious Fraud Office on June 26, but, so far, the SFO had not commented.

Injunctions have prevented the SFO and Polly Peck's administrators viewing the Cyprus documents. Michael Jordan, from Cork Gully, one of the administrators, said he was studying the report.

The documents have not been brought to Britain through official channels because the government of northern Cyprus is not recognised by Whitehall.

News of the report coincided with an appearance at Bow Street magistrates court by Mr Nadir, who is on remand facing 18 charges of theft worth £25 million. His remand was held over until August 1. Outside court, solicitors said Mr Nadir had never denied payments were made by Polly Peck to Unipac, a subsidiary in northern Cyprus, which had subsequently made further payments. The solicitors said the Binder Hamlyn report proves each time Unipac made a payment, more than enough funds to cover them had already been deposited with Unipac by the Nadir family.

Howden slips to £3m and passes final

HOWDEN Group, the Scottish engineering company, is passing the payment of a final dividend after pre-tax profits slumped from £22.2 million to £3 million last year.

The company has provided £10.4 million as an exceptional charge against heavy losses on a £40 million contract to supply boring machines for twin rail tunnels under the Great Belt Straits in Denmark.

Earnings fell from 15.1p a share to 1.6p. In the absence of a final dividend the total for the year is left at 1.59p a share (5.15p). The company said it expected to resume dividend payments in the current year.

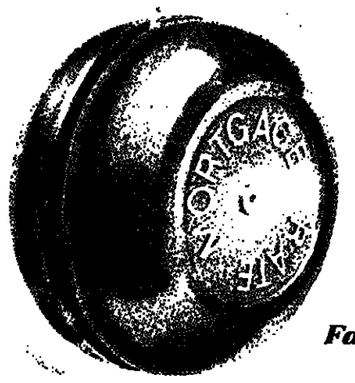
Howden shares rose 10p to 47p amid relief that the company is profitable. They have fallen from 157p a year ago.

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Post Office plans £2bn investment

By Ross Tieman, Industrial Correspondent

THE Post Office is to spend £2 billion over the next five years to improve the quality of services and deal with increased mail volumes, while continuing to cut staff.

The plans were announced alongside a slump in pre-tax profits to £47 million (£116 million), on revenue of £4.72 billion, for the year to March 31. The profit was struck despite the £100 million windfall bonus of a pension holiday, and after £106 million of exceptional provisions.

Sir Bryan Nicholson, the chairman, said the Post Office continued to exceed most financial targets set by the government. The recession, however, had caused a fall in the growth of mail volumes, from 5 per cent a year throughout most of the Eighties to 2.6 per cent last year.

The £106 million of exceptional provisions will be used for restructuring. Part will finance the loss of 2,000 managerial jobs from Royal Mail by next March, and about £20 million will cover a reduction of 550 jobs from Parcel Force.

Sir Bryan said service quality had improved in all the main operations. The proportion of first class letters delivered the day after posting had risen 7 per cent to 85.5 per cent during the year. Post Office Counters served 95 per cent of customers at main post offices within five minutes, and the average waiting time was 93 seconds.

He added that a "customer charter" setting service standards would be tried at selected post offices.



Sir Bryan: better service

The investment programme will be partly paid for by an increase in charges, from September, of 2p on first class mail and 1p on second class.

All but £400 million of the investment funds, generated from profits and the continuing pension holiday, would be spent within Royal Mail, with the main emphasis on sorting machinery. Sir Bryan said the aim was to cope with an anticipated 18 per cent rise in mail volumes over the next five years.

Doug Henderson, Labour's Post Office spokesman, attacked the 19.6 per cent pay rise, to £149,195, awarded to Sir Bryan. The chairman, however, said he had received an 8 per cent increase in his basic pay last year, when inflation was 8.1 per cent and postal workers had increases averaging 10 per cent. The rest of the increase was made up by performance-related bonuses.

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Citicorp cuts a further 10,000 jobs

From PHILIP ROBINSON IN NEW YORK

CITICORP, America's largest bank, confirmed yesterday it will cut a further 10,000 jobs within two years as part of a campaign to save an annual $1.5 billion. The extra job losses bring the total to 17,000, almost 18 per cent of the bank's 95,000 workforce.

Nine months ago, Citicorp estimated 2,000 jobs had to be cut. But as the recession began to bite into commercial property values, the biggest portion of its loan book, it raised the estimate to 8,000, slashed its annual dividend by 44 per cent, to $1 a share, and embarked on a massive cost cutting campaign.

Earlier this year, John Reed, Citicorp's chairman, aged 52, said the bank had identified areas that would yield savings of $998 million, and the remainder ($500 million) would be found by cutting layers of management.

Wall Street has been alarmed that American banking authorities have been much stricter about providing for bad debts during their recent annual audit of the industry. The tougher policy is believed to have prompted the large provisions made last month by Wells Fargo, which sent its second quarter profits plunging from $232.4 million to $15 million.

Citicorp's latest report showed it had $13 billion in property loans of which $2.5 billion were causing problems.

Analysts are already speculating that further loan loss provisions at Citicorp could cause it to cut its dividend payout again this year. The bank's shares lost 12.5 cents to $14.25 yesterday, just $4 off their lowest this year. After an 83 per cent fall in profits in the first three months of the year, it is expected to report sharply lower second quarter profits this month.

Citicorp acknowledges that banking supervisors at the Federal Reserve Board consider the bank inadequately capitalised and that it needs to raise $4 billion to $5 billion by the end of 1993. So far, it has raised only $1.19 billion, $600 million from a private placing and $590 million from Prince Alwaleed Bin Talal Bin Abdulaziz Al Saud, a Saudi Arabian, aged 36.

He has bought preference shares which convert into just under 10 per cent of Citicorp's ordinary shares at $16 each, and thinks they will be worth $30 each in three years.

Oxford rights

The City of Oxford Investment Trust has launched a £10 million rights issue and an issue of scrip warrants. The scrip is on the basis of one warrant for every five ordinary shares held, while the rights offers a package of five ordinary shares and one rights warrant for every ten shares held at 200p per package. There is also a first interim dividend of 1.2p.

Banner losses

Banner Homes Group, a housebuilder, made a pre-tax loss of £642,000 in the year to end-March, against a profit of £559,000 in the previous 15 months. There is no dividend (0.8p total). Demand is expected to begin recovering by next spring.

Synapse jumps

Synapse Computer Services' shares jumped from 77p to 100p after a £5.8 million agreed cash bid by ECsoft, a pan-European software distribution and services company.

Tate extends

Tate & Lyle now speaks for 92 per cent of the Bundaberg Sugar equity and is extending its bid to July 23.

PETER TRIEVNOR



Copper-bottom donation: Sir Alexander Graham, the Lord Mayor of London (centre), collected £35 in a few minutes for Cancer Relief Macmillan Fund outside Royal Exchange, London, yesterday. He was helped by (left to right) Sir Brian Corby, chairman of Prudential; John Cunningham, chairman of Nikko Bank; and Richard Hambro, chairman of Hambro Investment Management, in a trial run for the main City flag day today

Lowndes Lambert to float

By OUR CITY STAFF

LOWNDES Lambert, the London insurance broker, will today announce its flotation, which is expected to value the company at £70 million.

The placing and offer for sale will be an achievement for Richard Shaw, Lowndes's chief executive, who has steered the group through a management buyout from Hill Samuel in 1988 and one of the worst periods for insurance.

Lowndes is placing about 38 per cent of its enlarged share capital to raise £15 million for the company and £10 million for existing shareholders. After the float, Lowndes management will retain a stake of 34 per cent, while its main venture capital backers will keep 28 per cent.

The company is placing all the shares in the offer, expected to be heavily oversubscribed. 40 per cent will be available for the offer for sale through a clawback.

The company will use the proceeds to pay off a £7 million preference shares issue, reduce its debts by £4 million and increase its working capital.

Lowndes's figures have improved rapidly since the management buyout. The group's brokerage income has grown from £21.8 million in 1989 to £31.8 million in the year to last March. Pre-tax profits have risen over the two years from £3.19 million to £7.36 million.

Mr Shaw said the prospects for profits were good because of rising premiums.

Bangemann 'backs car quota fight'

By ROSS TIEMAN
INDUSTRIAL CORRESPONDENT

PETER Lilley, the trade and industry secretary, says Martin Bangemann, the European Commissioner responsible for the internal market, supports Britain's battle to avoid restrictions on exports within the European Community of cars built by Japanese companies in this country.

He said he was encouraged by discussions held yesterday with Herr Bangemann in Brussels. Mr Lilley is seeking a meeting with Frans Andriessen, the commissioner responsible for negotiations with Japan about the rundown of import quotas.

Mr Lilley is anxious to ensure that all cars built in Britain are treated equally. He fears that further Japanese investment might be stymied should Japanese manufacturers be forced to choose within a quota system between assembly of vehicles in Britain and exports to Europe from Japan.

Bank of Ireland gives warning

By NEIL BENNETT, BANKING CORRESPONDENT

THE Governor of the Bank of Ireland has warned shareholders that the bank is still suffering losses in America and that the group would be affected by the slower than expected growth in the Irish economy.

Louden Ryan said, at the annual meeting, that he expected First New Hampshire to report a $40 million loss for the first half of this year, only $10 million less than in the similar period last year.

The Bank of Ireland suffered a 60 per cent slump in pre-tax profits to Ir£53.5 million (£48.6 million) in the year to end-March after heavy losses in Britain and America.

The losses had prompted the resignation of Mark Hely Hutchinson, the chief executive. Mr Ryan said: "We are now of the view that general economic conditions and the state of the property markets there are still deteriorating."

The economic recovery was likely to be slow, but he was confident the result from the British division would improve. The Irish business continued to perform adequately.

BUSINESS ROUNDUP

Trafalgar to go ahead with £114m Davy bid

TRAFALGAR House says the way is now clear for its recommended cash bid for Davy Corporation, worth £114 million and which Trafalgar House will partly fund through its own rights issue, to proceed. Davy shares rose 6p to 83p on the news.

Trafalgar's announcement follows fulfilment of certain conditions precedent involving Davy Offshore, Emerald Field Contracting, Scarborough Shipping and other parties. The bid was announced on June 25. As part of the financial package for the Davy acquisition, and for other proposed developments, Trafalgar House plans a one-for-three rights issue at 190p that will raise £310 million. Trafalgar shares traded 2p higher at 233p. Davy shareholders were offered an initial 50p followed by another 45p if conversion of the Ocean Emerald rig into an oil platform is completed.

Profits return to Real Time

REAL Time Control, the computer and electronic point-of-sale systems manufacturer, is raising its annual dividend to 3p (1p) after returning to profit in the year to March 30. Taxable profits were £1.2 million (£55,000 loss) while earnings per share rose to 10.9p (0.5p). Turnover increased to £7.57 million (£4.28 million) giving operating profits of £720,000 (£297,000 loss).

Bexbuild asset value falls 9%

NET asset value at Bexbuild Developments, the property investor, fell 9 per cent to 138p a share in the year to end-March. Pre-tax profits rose from £279,170 to £621,989, helped by a realised surplus of £468,590 from property sales. Earnings were 8.6p (5.4p). The annual dividend is 2.5p (2.25p). The company expects a further dividend increase for the current year.

Grampian raises bid

GRAMPIAN Holdings, the Glasgow veterinary drugs to Mitre football mini-conglomerate, has topped up its bid for Macarthy, the pharmaceuticals group, by about 12 per cent to £63.25 million, and declared it final.

The new terms value each Macarthy share at 230p, according to Bill Hughes, the Grampian chairman. John Read, the Macarthy chairman, advised shareholders to take no action. The increased offer consists of 17 new convertible shares in Grampian plus two Grampian ordinary shares and 182p in cash for every ten Macarthy shares.

ECC to sell clay firm

ECC, the industrial minerals and construction materials group, has completed its £100 million disposal programme with the proposed sale of Southern Clay Products, its American minerals producer, to Laporte for $30 million, and the disposal of its Spanish kaolin assets for 609.4 million pesetas (£3.3 million). The ECC group will use the proceeds to reduce debt.

Bogod rises to £242,000

BOGOD Group, the sewing machines distributor, reported taxable profits of £242,000 for the year to end-March (£153,000 including £53,000 exceptional charge). Earnings were 3.03p (1.51p). The final dividend is maintained at 0.22p a share for an unchanged total of 0.32p. The dividend on the limited voting 'A' shares is held at 0.64p a share with a 0.44p final.

Bucknall seeks £2.4m

BUCKNALL Group, the quantity surveyor and project manager, is raising £2.4 million via a placing and open offer to reduce borrowings. The new shares are being offered at 68p each on the basis of nine for every 20 existing shares.

Directors and large shareholders speaking for 51 per cent of the company are not subscribing for their entitlement and their shares have been placed with institutions. The company also announced taxable profits down from £1.55 million to £1.23 million for the year to end-April and an unchanged final dividend of 3.5p a share.

Concern over BAA use of unregulated charges

Extracts from the Monopolies and Mergers Commission report on BAA to the Civil Aviation Authority

AIRPORT charges account for only about 40 per cent of the income of the three airports, but in considering maximum airport charges, we have taken into account BAA's projections of income from its other commercial activities. During the present five-year period, increases in income per passenger from airport charges have been restricted to 1 per cent per annum below the increase in the retail price index; this requirement has been applied to airport charges separately at Heathrow and Gatwick, and to the three airports together.

The airports' profitability has risen by more than expected. This is mainly due to the rapid expansion of traffic since 1986-7, which has led to greater income from airport charges and commercial activities. However, BAA has not charged the full amount allowable, particularly at Heathrow, and its profitability has also been reduced by arrangements for recovery of the costs of meeting additional Department of Transport security directives, which allow BAA to pass on only 75 per cent of additional costs, after a delay of up to two years.

In considering the appropriate level of charges for the next five-year period, we believe it would be reasonable for BAA to earn a cost rate of return of about 8 per cent. This would be achieved in the present circumstances of the Southeast airports by requiring revenue per passenger from airport charges at Heathrow, Gatwick and for the three airports as a whole to increase by no more than the RPI less four percentage points. Such a requirement would in our view give BAA the incentive to improve efficiency to achieve any higher returns at which it may wish to aim.

We have also, however, considered BAA's need to earn an adequate return on new investment, in particular in new terminal facilities at Heathrow. The cost of construction of that new capacity will be high. BAA argued that these high costs of investment should be reflected in the level of charges.

We do not fully accept this argument: the rate of return on Terminal 5, which will not open before 2001-2 at the earliest, will depend on the level of charges over a long period, and whatever we recommend, we cannot bind our successors. On the other hand, we believe some account should be taken of BAA's need to finance construction of Terminal 5, and of the likelihood that increases in charges may be necessary in future reviews to earn an adequate return on that investment.

We have, therefore, recommended that charges at Heathrow should be allowed to rise by 1 per cent above the RPI in the last two years of the quinquennium, and that the condition for the three airports as a whole should also be adjusted in those years (to RPI-1), on condition that BAA starts building Terminal 5 in 1995-6.

We have also recommended that BAA be allowed to recover 85 per cent of additional security costs in the year after the introduction of any security requirements.

We also believe the CAA should modify the charging condition to ensure BAA is fully compensated for the loss of intra-EC duty and tax-free allowances, should these be withdrawn within the next quinquennium, the appropriate increase in charges to be determined then by the CAA.

During the inquiry, we received many complaints about airport charges and those activities of the three airports excluded from the airport charges formulae. The extent of the complaints may in part reflect BAA's dominance of the London area airports, and the dependence of airlines and others on BAA in the operation of its businesses. On several of the issues raised, relating to airport charges or relevant activities, BAA itself intends to review or change its approach and, should future developments prove unsatisfactory to users, these questions would, we feel, be better raised by complaint to the CAA under section 41 of the Airports Act. On the bulk of the issues raised with us, we do not believe there are sufficient grounds to justify a conclusion that any of the three airport companies has pursued a course of conduct against the public interest.

We are, however, concerned about a range of charges excluded from the regulatory formulae where, given BAA's position as a dominant supplier, it is in a strong position to charge what it chooses irrespective of costs. The provision of inadequate information to users on the costs of the relevant facilities puts them in a weak position to judge whether they are being overcharged or to complain to the regulatory authorities. In our view, the provision of insufficient information to users about the costs of such facilities or services, or any other bases for the charges, may be expected to operate against the public interest. BAA itself intends to improve transparency of information but, in our view, a condition should be imposed on each of the three airport companies requiring each airport to provide to the CAA and to its users adequate information on the costs or other factors underlying these charges.

JAMES GRAY



Under pressure to raise productivity: Sir John Egan after publication of the report on BAA yesterday

Airport charges

AS TO the maximum level of airport charges at Heathrow, Gatwick and Stansted, we recommend that:

(a) Charges should continue to be based on average revenue per passenger without, in our view, incorporation of any factor relating charges to volume.

(b) In the formula constraining increases in airport charges per passenger to the RPI less a factor 'X', actual RPI should be substituted for forecast RPI as used at present.

(c) The starting point for the formula should be based on forecast yield in 1991-2.

(d) Separate formulae should continue to be applied to Heathrow, Gatwick and the three Southeast airports as a whole; we are not, however, in favour of extending at this time the undertaking to limit the increase in charges to any one airline at an airport to double the average increase in charges.

Rents and other charges

A MAIN concern of airlines, and of other companies operating on the airport, was the level of rents and other charges for property, also of charges for other facilities and services for airlines. These rents and charges are excluded from the charging formula. Many airlines, and other airport users, suggested to us that the scope of the regulatory formula should be widened to include income from facilities and services to airlines. The Airports Act, however, restricts the present regulatory formula to airport charges, and we would not be in a position to recommend regulation of other charges unless we identified this as an appropriate remedy to any course of conduct which we found to be adverse to the public interest.

The BAA Southeast airports

HEATHROW is the world's largest international airport; in 1990-1 it was used by about 41 million passengers of whom about 80 per cent were on international flights and virtually all on scheduled services. It has two parallel runways, a third cross runway and four passenger terminals.

Gatwick, the world's fourth largest international airport, handled about 20 million passengers in 1990-1, of whom over 90 per cent were on international services, and almost 60 per cent on scheduled services, the rest being charter. It has one main runway and two passenger terminals.

Stansted was used by 1.2 million passengers in 1989, mainly on international services. It has one runway; in March 1991 a new terminal was opened, replacing the existing terminal.

BAA's financial projections assume that growth will continue, to almost 110 million passengers in 2004-5, an annual rate of about 4 per cent, in line with other forecasts.

Between the Southeast airports, demand is strongest at Heathrow, due to the airport's advantages of location, and of the scale and mix of scheduled services, for both terminating and interlining passengers. BAA pricing policy has been to reflect this demand, and the higher costs of providing additional capacity at Heathrow, in charges above those of Gatwick or Stansted, although the differential in its charges is likely to be considerably below the value to airlines of operating from Heathrow rather than Gatwick.

Until this year, demand was also influenced by Traffic Distribution Rules (TDRs) which, for example, prevented other international airlines apart from those established at Heathrow operating from there.

The removal of these TDRs is likely further to strengthen demand to operate from Heathrow. Stansted, by contrast, is generally seen as the least attractive option. Despite relatively low airport charges, airlines are likely to remain reluctant to locate services at Stansted, unless they are unable to obtain slots at Gatwick or Heathrow.

The three airports (together with Southend) account for 95 per cent of the passengers, and 92 per cent of Air Transport Movements of the "London area airports" (including London City Airport and Luton). BAA is clearly dominant in the London area airports.

There is a greater degree of choice available for "interline" passengers — those changing planes at the Southeast airports who could, for example, use Paris, Schiphol or Frankfurt; but interlining accounts for only 22 per cent of passengers at Heathrow and 9 per cent at Gatwick. BAA has also pointed to the potential competition from the Channel tunnel, but forecasts we have seen suggest the loss of traffic could be limited to the equivalent of about one year's expansion of traffic.

One of us (Graham Mather) feels that both the structure of the Southeast airports and the regulatory structure should be examined in the near future. He also believes that the many concerns expressed to us about the performance of the three Southeast airports — although in our view, not amounting to a course of conduct against the public interest — lead to the conclusion that the introduction of a measure of competition, perhaps through the divestment of one of the three airports to another airport operator, should be considered sooner rather than later.

In his view, this would reduce the difficulty of relying so heavily on the price formula to protect customers; the risk that courses of conduct against the public interest take place in a monopoly position would also decline because competition would provide scope for innovation, comparison and choice.

JLI issue to fund £5m buy

By MARTIN BARROW

JLI Group, the food processor and distributor, becomes one of the country's biggest popcorn makers with the acquisition of Playtime, exclusive supplier to Odeon and Cannon cinemas.

JLI is funding the buy via a £7.6 million rights issue of new shares. The company is paying £1.3 million initially, with further deferred payments of up to £1.95 million, and assuming debts of £2 million, valuing Playtime at a maximum £5.25 million.

Shareholders are being offered one new share for every two held at 87p each, against 104p yesterday, down 6p in response to the cash call.

JLI also announced pre-tax profits up 16 per cent to £2.32 million for the year to end-March. The total dividend is 4.3p (3.9p), after a 2.87p final, payable from earnings of 8.5p a share, up from 8.1p.

Colefax tumbles to £1.1m

By COLIN CAMPBELL

COLEFAX and Fowler Group, the wallpaper and furnishings company, is finding that the super-rich are still buying its ranges, but that their spending patterns have not been strong enough to offset a downturn in profits.

Pre-tax profits for the year ended April 30 were £1.18 million (£4 million), on turnover of £30.2 million (£30.7 million). Half of group sales are made overseas, and further development of European markets is planned to counter the weak home market.

David Green, chief executive, said trade sales were 6 per cent lower over the year and retail sales fell 11 per cent.

Because of continuing economic difficulties, Colefax is cutting its final dividend from 2.4p to 1.3p a share, making a reduced 2.6p (3.7p) for the year. The shares were unchanged at 43p.

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BAA hit by low-flying regulator

COMMENT

Competition between regulators, the lively new sector created by the government's privatisation programme, has even spread to the old guard Civil Aviation Authority. The regime for controlling BAA is peculiar and outdated by the standards of other former state utilities. Instead of a dedicated economic regulator, it has the CAA, which is itself a principal actor in the airport business, backed up by the Monopolies Commission, which is only a deliberately unattractive appeal court for other utilities. The position of the CAA is like a merged Ofwat and National Rivers Authority, with the conflict of interest that would bring.

The CAA has introduced a more bizarre twist by doubling the MMC's recommended X factor, by which BAA must cut its controlled airport charges in real terms. This is not necessarily unfair, however much BAA may squeal. Sir Norman Payne's battle-hardened negotiating team seems to have been too much for the MMC's generalists and won a far better overall deal than Sir John Egan, his executive successor could reasonably have expected. But the CAA's eye-narrowed toughness looks as arbitrary as its treatment of British Airways.

The price limit will bite progressively as inflation falls but will not hurt BAA too much or too soon, especially on the more sensible inflation base suggested by the MMC. Regulated charges are only about 40 per cent of its income, partly because, as the MMC points out, some of the areas of greatest user complaint are unregulated.

Pre-tax profit margins beat 30 per cent even in 1990-91, so BAA can take some squeezing unless it has to fund big new developments. Even on that perspective, however, the yield on BAA shares may have to creep up nearer that of other utilities.

In the longer run, the regime is evidently unstable. With one hand, the CAA has made it much harder for BAA to build the fifth terminal at Heathrow, not least because funding will be more uncertain. With its other hand, the CAA has just made Sir John's life much harder, and made more nonsense of planning, by shifting American business from Gatwick to Heathrow. This has added to Heathrow's dominant attractions and future overcrowding, undermined the economics of Gatwick at a tricky time and cast Stansted's much-praised new terminal more solidly in the mould of white elephant. In doing so, it has sabotaged the cost savings BAA can make from improved productivity.

More competition may be the answer. The combination of all three main London airports in one privatised groups was one of the worst errors of privatisation, since it artificially created a private monopoly. The government cannot undo this now without deliberately betraying investors. But events may hasten the moves to greater competition that Graham Mather of the Institute of Economic Affairs, alone among the MMC panel or the CAA, seems to take seriously. If, for instance, BAA is unable to build Heathrow's terminal five without weakening its balance sheet dangerously, or does not trust the CAA to make provision, new operators could be brought in within the present structure.

Flat post

No wonder private parcels companies look with envy upon the Post Office's letter monopoly. For 15 years, it has enjoyed an unblemished record of profitability, and steady and substantial growth in the volume of its business. But recession has now taken its toll upon mail volumes, which are dominated by business use, and more than halved pre-tax profits to £47 million.

Last year, the growth in mail slowed to 2.6 per cent, after averaging 5 per cent a year for a decade. This year the Post Office expects volumes to rise by 1.5 per cent at best. Were it not for a timely £100 million a year pension contribution holiday, set to continue for some years, Sir Bryan Nicholson, chairman, might have cause to worry about his performance-linked pay.

That pension holiday, and the recession, will provide Sir Bryan and his boardroom colleagues with a useful breathing space. The task they have set themselves is to complete the restructuring of the Post Office into three businesses and prepare Royal Mail for an 18 per cent rise in traffic over the next five years without the disastrous deterioration in the quality of services which once brought such opprobrium. The cost will exceed £2 billion, to be paid for out of revenues.

The case for dividing the business into Royal Mail, Post Office Counters, and Parcel Force remains unproven as more than a devise to privatise everything but the letter monopoly. That no longer seems such a priority given the risks involved both commercially and in terms of service.

By international standards, the Post Office performs well, but that is more a measure of the inefficiency of its state-owned peers overseas. The success of the private sector in the competitive parcels market here shows that the Post Office still has a lot to learn about pleasing customers.

The idea of privatising the postal service itself still has a lingering appeal but the interminable and unsatisfactory battle to develop competition in telephone services shows that this might achieve little. Easier to let the fax and the computer network provide the competition.

Can Europe switch on to free-market electronics?

THE idea of developing a Europe-wide front to compete with America and Japan in the world electronics industry has gone almost unchallenged among manufacturers until recently. But commercial realities are now beginning to surface.

Siemens, the German electronics company, announced in Paris last week that it will collaborate with IBM, rather than SGS-Thomson, the French company, on development of the next generation of computer chips. Not content with this snub – the deal is believed to be worth DM1 billion – Karlheinz Kaske, Siemens' president, added further insult when he warned, again in Paris, that Europeans should stop whingeing about Japanese predominance and give the free market a chance.

While he did not mention by name Edith Cresson, the French prime minister, and Jacques Delors, the president of the European Commission, there can be little doubt they were the targets of Herr Kaske's outspokenness. His disillusion is far more important than the defection of Britian's ICL, which the French would not have relied on.

Siemens is no friend of French government's plans to grant massive subsidies to Thomson and Groupe Bull, the ailing state-owned electronics firms, which Siemens suspects of keeping uncompetitive units artificially alive, thereby distorting competition. Nor is Siemens in favour of plans by M Delors, who, in a supposedly secret meeting of the heads of Europe's leading electronics firms, urged the industry to strengthen its collaboration efforts. Even a full-blown merger of all the participants has apparently been mooted.

The European electronics industry, including some of its best known companies like Bull, Thomson and Philips are in deep financial trouble. Many of these companies are presently undergoing a traumatic restructuring process. But it would be complacent to think that the problems of the industry are merely those of inefficiency, and that the solution is merely a case of following the kind of advice usually issued by a company of management consultants.

Electronics companies are, or were until recently, national champions in a number of EC countries, enjoying protection either through state-ownership or guaranteed government orders, in particular, in the telecommunication area. In a single market, which will hit the industry eventually though not necessarily in 1993, public procurement will be opened to outside competition, which is likely to lead to a further erosion of margins.



Snub: Karlheinz Kaske, of Siemens, prefers IBM

Under the normally held philosophy of competition, the greater the number of suppliers and the smaller the individual market shares, the more competitive an industry is. But this rule of thumb does not seem to apply to electronics in the way it does to most other industries. This is because national champions operate in a European market, where they compete against other national champions.

State-ownership guarantees survival to weak participants. That can damage the others, which in turn need to be propped up by subsidies or less visible support. A classic vicious circle.

A cut in the number of suppliers in the individual market segments, therefore, seems to be a plausible response in the current situation. But Europe's industry is hopelessly divided over how this should be achieved. Continued state subsidies to ailing firms would weaken other ailing firms. Nor is a merger of losers likely to produce a winner (remember British Leyland?). This leaves two other options: voluntary non-competition deals or decimation through competition.

The latter can be discounted in the short term, for political rather than economic reasons. Neither France nor Holland, for all their talk of a federal Europe, would allow their flagship companies to sink, even in the spirit of the common European good.

This attitude might change in the long run, if the level of subsidies, or the height of trade barriers needed to sustain unprofitable companies, become intolerable. But, in the short run, this leaves as the favoured solution non-competition agreements. The European electronics firms would decide the areas in which they intend to operate. The result would be two or, perhaps, three participants, competing in each segment. For example, one company would make the microchips, another the computers, while a third would pull out of the market altogether. Each of these companies would then be able to forge alliances, inside and outside Europe.

This solution is not as straightforward as it appears. A company like Siemens or Philips has too many wide-ranging, vested interests. Siemens makes computers, chips and telecoms equipment. Although separate divisions, these units are linked through common research and development, which takes up an ever-increasing proportion of turnover. The simple divestment of a division is not necessarily an economically sensible response. While the cartel option has undoubted attractions in the short term, in the long run it appears there is nothing but a free market approach, capable of salvaging the potentially competitive elements of the industry.

The other problem with this type of agreement is the need to overcome objections from the EC's competition policy unit, which might rule that such agreements contravene European competition law. The EC would, therefore, need to make an explicit case for exemption, and face criticisms of contravening the ethos of the free market.

The only profitable European-based computer maker is ICL, which last year became a majority-owned subsidiary of Fujitsu of Japan. The moral of the ICL-Fujitsu and Siemens-IBM deals is that European companies are increasingly prepared to join the Japanese and American giants in the industry, thereby turning their back on M Delors' favoured European solution. But the necessity of such alliances is also the clearest evidence that the European electronics industry has had its heyday.

WOLFGANG MÜNCHAU
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Howden tunnels into problems

TEMPUS

HOWDEN Group has an unhappy habit of running into serious problems with major projects.

In the late Eighties, the company suffered a setback when its Californian wind farm went astray at a cost of £6.7 million. After two years of relative calm, the company was hit by the cancellation of a £10 million Iraqi contract last September due to the United Nations trade embargo, which was partly blamed for the loss of 500 jobs at Renfrew.

A greater threat is posed by a dispute over a £41 million contract for tunnelling machines for the Great Belt project in Denmark.

In the year to end-April, Howden provided £10.4 million against the contract because of the dispute, which has been passed on to the Danish arbitration court. The Great Belt consortium claims Howden's machines are unsuitable; Howden claims they were operated incorrectly.

Whatever the merits of the case, payments have been withheld, putting Howden under considerable financial strain. Gearing is above 100 per cent and interest payments have trebled to £9.6 million. An extraordinary charge of £16.6 million to cover restructuring leaves a total deficit of £16.6 million. Earnings were down from 15.1p to 1.6p and the company is passing the final dividend, leaving a total of 1.59p for the year, compared with 5.15p.

Howden enters the legal battle with confidence and has made no provision against other contingent liabilities of up to £12 million. The City, encouraged by a £300 million order book, is bullish and Howden shares rose 10p to 47p. But the risk is still substantial.

Low & Bonar

ROLAND Jarvis is justifiably proud of Low & Bonar's achievement in the six months to end-May. Of the £1 million shortfall in the pre-tax number, to £11.3 million, half was down to the lower Canadian dollar (and has since been retrieved as currency movements reversed) and a chunk of the rest reflected higher interest charges.

Only the American operations, succumbing to the local recession, and the tiny British plastics business, contributed lower profits.

Living with the recession on this side of the pond might have been tougher but for the group's capacity for taking out costs after its heavy capital spend, which led to a half-point improvement in average margins to about 8 per cent.

There appears to be scope for stretching these further in the next 12 months, maybe to 10 per cent, which, together with the Mr Jarvis's observance of the glimmers of recovery in demand, underlines the company's optimism for 1992.

If it could find an attractive acquisition in Britain to help relieve what is something of an ACT problem, so much the better. The company has gearing below 20 per cent.

Low & Bonar has not always matched expectations in the past, but is in good shape. Earnings of just more than 20p a share this year would leave the shares on a multiple of less than 12, a rating they merit well enough.

NMC/API

RARELY can a takeover battle have been contested by two companies with such undistinguished records as NMC Group and API Group, the rival packaging concerns.

NMC announced its all-shares offer on the same day as a 27 per cent slide in pre-tax profits to £7.39 million, earnings down from 11.91p to 8.61p, and an extraordinary charge of £10.44 million arising from ill-fated property ventures. Two years ago, profits exceeded £10 million and earnings were 13.04p.

API, the former Associated Paper Industries, in three months lost its chairman and chief executive, reported interim losses of £849,000 and was at the wrong end of a hostile bid. Earnings have been static or in decline since 1988.

In late 1988, API shares traded at 255p while NMC, which at the time boasted the Saatchi brothers on its shareholders' register with 20 per cent, were worth 127p.

NMC is offering 17 of its shares for every 10 API with no cash alternative. The bid originally valued API at £26 million but the City has responded by marking NMC shares down 6p to 67p and API down from 116p to 107p, clipping £1.3 million off the offer's nominal value. Either way, there seems little advantage for API shareholders.

In the absence of cash, or a rival offer, shareholders should consider selling in the market.



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THE TIMES CITY DIARY

Multi-lingual competition

AT LAST, a British company that is taking Europe seriously. Mike Burden, chief executive of European Information Technology, the computer specialist, speaks three languages in addition to English, but he more than met his match when EIT took over Decisionware, a software company based in Mortlake, London. Jennifer Levenseu de Sanchez, the chairman, has a Swedish mother and Russian father. She learnt French at school, lived in Italy and married a Spaniard. Despite claiming to be British, she speaks five languages, although her father inexplicably neglected to pass on to her his native tongue. EIT has ambitions on a Napoleonic scale.

Kawakatsu honour

KENJI Kawakatsu, chairman of Sanwa Bank, becomes the first Japanese to be awarded an honorary doctorate at Essex university today. Sanwa helped set up the university's chair in Japanese studies two years ago and has taken British students on short placements at its Tokyo headquarters. Kawakatsu was general manager of the bank's London branch for five years and has been chairman of the Japanese-British Society of Kansai in Japan since 1985.

Bell rings out

CAROLINE Bell will be extolling the virtues of overseas companies securing a listing on the London Stock Exchange when she addresses members of the City Women's Network tomorrow. Network membership has grown to 250 and includes foreign nationals based in Britain, but a public performance will hold no terrors for Bell. In addition to serving in the press office before switching to the primary markets division, Bell is a committee member of the Stock Exchange Operatic and Dramatic Society.



Praying for profit

ROCKING in the aisles has a new meaning for the youth of Cardiff and Aberdeen, where European Leisure runs nightclubs in two converted churches. The company is trying to take advantage of lower interest rates and, it hopes, higher property prices by auctioning the temples of rap and rock and leasing them back. Jackson's discotheque, in Cardiff, and Mr G's, which in its former life gave Chapel Street, Aberdeen, its name, are among 12 nightclubs to be auctioned on sale-and-lease-back terms by Conrad Ritblat at the Mayfair Hotel at noon today. The auctioneers hope for more than £500,000 per church in the collection box.

Stress count

NO JOKES, please, about accountants who become actuaries because they cannot stand the excitement. A survey by Harrison Willis, financial and legal recruitment specialist, shows that 95 per cent of accountants think their job is stressful, and 70 per cent believe it has become worse in the past 12 months. American bosses are cited as worst for demanding more information faster from fewer staff, with the Japanese coming second. Nor is there any respite. Chance would be a fine thing, harassed figure totters exclaimed when asked if they took their full holiday entitlement.

RODNEY HOBSON

STOCK MARKET

Smith New Court's hat trick of deals

SMITH New Court, the broker, has stolen a march on its rivals, with a hat trick of deals that has netted the firm a nice profit in these troubled times.

Smith, which was chosen by Hanson to pick up its near 3 per cent stake in ICI, has placed Robert Maxwell's 7.8 per cent holding in Singer & Friedlander in a bought deal. The 17.1 million shares were sold to various institutions at 38p each, or £6.5 million. Singer finished 1p lighter at 43p.

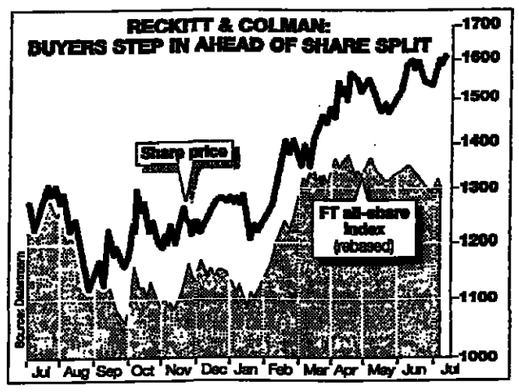
Smith also placed 5 million shares, worth almost £24 million, in Northern Foods at 467p. Northern fell 5p to 473p. Smith rounded off the day with a £35 million buy programme. Not a bad day's work when total turnover was only 432 million.

The scent of cheaper money saw the equity market claw back all of Monday's losses, resulting from the setback in Tokyo on Monday.

Dealers are hoping for another half-point cut in base rates after tomorrow's meeting of the Bundesbank and Friday's retail price figures. A standstill in factory gate prices last month may also justify a cut.

The FT-SE 100 index closed just below its best of the day with a rise of 21.1 to 2,487.9, while, in the futures market, the September series rose above the 2,500 level. The FT index of 30 shares advanced 14.1 to 1,905.4.

Government securities were cheered by the prospect of a cut in base rates with prices closing almost £½ stronger at the long end. Further consideration of break-up values lifted ICI by 13p to £12.93. But Taylor Woodrow dropped 8p to 207p after Kleinwort Benson, the broker, cut its forecast of pre-tax profits for the current year by £10 million to £55 million. The Dowty mining equipment and aerospace group rose 5p at 184p amid suggestions that the group is being stalked by an overseas predator. Last week, Charterhouse Tilney, the broker, dented the shares after downgrading its profits forecast for the current year to £49 million against £60.6 million last time.



Reckitt & Colman, the household products group, jumped 32p to £16.22 before the five-for-two share split. Several brokers are now recommending the shares, claiming that the lower nominal value, plus the growth prospects, will make them more attractive.

BP rose 5p to 339p before a presentation on Friday for analysts concerning its latest oil discovery in Colombia, which it describes as "significant". Northern Electric's shares jumped 6p to 211p, helped by two buy recommendations from Barclays de Zoete Wedd and Yamaichi.

BAA dropped 10p to 424p after learning of the new pricing policy proposed for Heathrow, Gatwick and Stansted airports.

Barry Wehmiller continued to reel from this week's profits warning losing 25p at 121p.

The Macarthy pharmaceuticals group eased 2p to 231p despite the increased offer from Grampian, unchanged at 175p.

Credit Lyonnaise Laing is a seller of Allied-Lyons, 1p firmer at 524p, Bass, 3p better at 921p, Guinness, 4p cheaper at 949p, and Whitbread A, 5p higher at 464p.

MICHAEL CLARK

WALL STREET

New York

SHARES generally were firm in mid-morning dealings as blue chips made slim gains. The Dow Jones industrial average was 3 points higher at 2,964.99. Second-line shares, led by some technology issues, continued to attract the most interest while some drug shares achieved solid rises. The Dow Jones industrial average fell by 29.52 on Monday. *(Reuter)*

	Jul 9 midday	Jul 8 close		Jul 9 midday	Jul 8 close		Jul 9 midday	Jul 8 close
Abbott Lab	51¼	52¾	Enron	57⅜	57¾	Qryx Energy	23⅝	30⅛
Aetna Life	41⅜	41	Exxon	73⅞	73⅞	Pac Gas Elec	25⅞	25⅞
Ahmanson	18¾	17⅝	Fluor	57⅜	58⅛	Pac Telesis	41⅛	41⅜
Air Prods	68⅝	68⅜	Ford	68	68⅜	Pfizer	48	48¾
Albertsons	42⅜	41⅜	Fed NMA	51⅛	51⅝	Phillips	22	22
Alcan Al	22⅝	22⅛	Fedel Expre	40⅞	40⅝	Pall	36⅜	36⅝
Alco Standd	32⅜	32	Ft Howard	24⅛	24⅛	Paramount	41	41⅛
Allied Signal	34⅜	34⅛	Fluor	46⅝	46⅝	Parker-Hanin	26⅝	27¼
Alcatel CA	68⅜	68⅜	FMC	45⅜	45⅛	Penney	69⅝	69⅝
Am Brands	39⅞	40⅜	Ford Motor	35⅞	36	Pennzoil	72⅜	72⅝
Am Cyanmid	67⅛	67⅝	FPL	30⅝	30⅝	Peoples	22⅝	22⅝
Am EPC	28⅜	28⅛	Fst Chicago	22⅝	22⅝	Pepsico	28⅝	28⅝
Am General	38⅛	38⅝	Fst Interst	27⅞	27⅞	Pfizer	59⅝	59⅝
Am Home	60	60⅛	Fst Union	22⅞	22⅝	Philips Pet	25⅜	25⅝
Am Intl	86⅝	88	Gannett	44⅝	44	Phillips Elec	20⅜	20⅝
Am Stores	78⅝	78⅜	GAP	61⅛	61	Phip Morris	69⅜	69⅝
Amax	23⅜	24⅛	Gen Cinema	24	24⅛	Phips Dodge	71	69⅝
Amer Hess	50⅝	51	Gen Elec	73⅞	74⅛	Pitney Bow	61⅛	61⅛
Ameritech	60⅛	60	Gen Mills	58⅝	59	Placer Dm	14	14⅛
Amex	22⅛	21⅝	Gen Motors	43⅜	42⅞	PNC Fnd	35⅜	35⅞
Amoco	51⅛	51⅜	Gen RE	68⅜	68⅝	Potlatch	10⅜	11
AMP	69⅞	69⅝	Gen Signal	68⅜	68⅝	Polaroid	24⅝	24⅞
AMR	69⅛	69⅝	Genuine Pts	44⅞	44⅝	PPG Inds	58⅛	58⅝
Anheuser-B	48⅜	49⅛	Georgia-Pac	52⅝	52⅝	Proc Gamble	80	79⅜
Apple Comp	45⅞	45⅝	Gillette	34⅜	34⅝	Price	54⅜	55⅞
Archer-Dan	24⅛	24⅛	Goodrich	41⅞	41⅝	Primerica	28⅜	27⅝
Arkla	16⅝	16⅜	Goodyear	54⅜	54⅜	Pub Service	33⅛	33⅛
Armco	5⅛	5⅛	Grace	33⅝	33⅝	Quaker Oats	84⅛	84⅝
Armstrong	25⅜	25⅜	Grayhound	34⅜	34⅜	Ralston Pur	48⅜	48
Asarco	28⅝	28⅝	Gt Atlantic	44⅛	44⅛	Raychem	57⅞	57⅞
Ashland Oil	31	31	Gt Western	17⅞	17⅞	Raytheon	78⅝	78⅜
AT&T	38⅛	38⅛	GTE	29⅝	30	Reebok	23⅜	24⅛
Atlan Richfld	114⅜	115	Halliburtn	57⅝	58⅛	Reichold	14⅝	14⅝
Auto Dtp	33⅝	33⅝	Hanna	17⅝	17⅝	Rockwell	27⅛	27⅛
Avery Denn	24⅝	25⅜	Harcules	38⅜	38⅝	Rohm Hass	42⅝	42⅝
Avnet Prod	42⅝	42⅛	Hershey Fd	41⅞	42	Royal Dutch	77⅛	77⅛
Baltimore	29⅛	29⅝	Hewlett Pkd	54⅜	55⅛	Rubbermaid	30⅝	30⅜
Banc Ohio	40⅞	36⅜	Hilton Hd	42⅝	42⅝	Ryder Sys	19⅝	19⅝
Bankamerica	26	24⅞	Home Depot	48⅝	48⅝	Safeway	41	41
Bard	32⅝	32⅝	Honda Mtr	18	18⅜	Salomon	24⅝	24⅝
Bennett Bk	27⅛	28⅜	Honeywell	51⅛	51⅞	Sante Fe Pac	9	9
Bausch Lmb	41⅛	40⅝	Houston Ind	35⅜	35⅜	Sara Lee	42⅝	42⅝
Baxter Intl	32⅞	32⅝	Hewlett Int	47⅞	48⅛	Schlumbrgr	59⅜	59⅝
Bec Dickin	74⅛	75⅜	Humana	46⅜	46⅝	Schering-Pl	69⅝	69⅝
Bell Atlan	47	47⅛	IBM	102⅝	102⅝	Scott Paper	41⅜	41⅝
Bellsouth	47⅝	47⅝	IFF	77⅜	77⅜	Seagram	104⅞	104⅝
Bir Hughes	23⅜	23⅞	Illinois TW	62⅛	62⅝	Sears Roeb	37⅝	37⅝
Black Decker	15⅝	15⅝	Inco	38⅝	38⅝	Service Int	21⅛	21⅛
Block	57⅜	57⅞	Ingsol-Rand	50⅜	50⅞	Sherwin Wm	27⅛	27⅛
Boise Ctr NY	49⅜	49	Inland Steel	22⅜	22⅛	Shoney	25⅜	25⅝
Boeing	44⅝	44⅜	Intel	74⅜	74⅜	Silicon Gen	12	12⅛
Boise Casc	35⅞	35⅝	Intl Paper	72⅛	72⅝	Smith-Kln Bk	32	31⅞
Borden	35⅝	35⅝	ITT	57⅛	56⅝	Southmrk	27⅜	27⅝
Brist-Myer	80⅞	80⅜	James River	25⅜	25⅝	St Paul	69⅜	69
Browng-Fer	27⅝	28⅛	Johnson John	86⅝	86⅝	Stanley Wk	31⅛	31⅛
Bruno Mfd	24⅝	24⅝	K Mart	46	46⅝	Sun Co	38⅛	38⅛
CAI	10⅜	10⅞	Kellogg	101	100⅝	Sunbst Bk	23⅝	23⅝
Campbell Sp	77⅛	78⅜	Kerr-McGee	38⅝	38⅝	Super Valu	27⅜	27⅜
Cap Cities	449	444⅜	Kimbly-Clk	100⅜	100⅜	SW Intl	69⅝	69⅝
Capital HC	48⅜	48⅜	Knight-Rdr	51⅞	52⅛	Sybron	48	48⅜
Carolina	48⅜	48⅜	Lilly	74⅜	75	Symbol	22⅝	22⅝
Caterpillar	47⅞	47⅝	Limited	22⅝	22⅝	Tandem	25⅝	25⅝
CBS	160	159⅝	Lin Bcdstg	57⅜	58⅜	Tele-comm	13⅞	14
Central SW	44⅝	44⅝	Lincln Nat	47⅜	48⅜	Tektronix	27⅝	27⅝
Champion	27⅜	27⅞	Litton Ind	77⅝	78⅛	Tele-comm	13⅛	14
Chase Man	18	17⅝	Lockheed	43⅜	43⅜	Teledyne	10	10
Chem Bnkg	22⅝	22⅝	Louis Pac	42⅜	42⅜	Temple-In	26	26
Chevron	70	70⅛	Manvl Nsn	13	13⅛	Tenneco	50⅜	50⅜
Chrysler	14⅝	14⅝	Marriott	18	17⅞	Texaco	81⅛	80⅝
Chubb	78⅝	71	Marsh Mclen	78⅜	78	Texas Inst	34⅜	34⅝
Cigna	45⅛	45⅜	Martin Mar	39⅝	39⅝	Texas Util	31⅜	31⅜
Cincorp	14⅜	14⅝	Masco	22⅝	22⅝	Textron	51⅜	51⅜
Citimd Llc	44⅜	44	May Dept	84⅝	84⅝	Time Warn	81⅜	81⅜
Clorox	39⅜	39⅝	Maytag	14⅝	14⅝	Timken	35⅝	35⅝
Cmnth Edis	37⅜	37⅜	McDnl Dougl	54⅝	55	Tmkn Mer	47⅜	47
CNA Fncl	79⅜	79⅜	McDonalds	33⅝	33	Toys R Us	29⅝	29⅝
Coastal	30⅜	30⅜	McGraw-Hill	60⅝	60⅝	Transcan	32⅝	32⅝
Coca-Cola	56⅛	55⅝	MCI Com	27⅝	27⅞	Travelers	33	32⅝
Colgate-Pal	57⅜	57⅛	Mead	30⅝	30⅝	Tribune	46⅜	46⅜
Colomb Gas	18⅝	17⅞	Medtronic	114⅝	115⅜	Tricntl Cn	28⅛	28⅛
Compaq	34⅝	34⅝	Mellon Bk	30⅝	31	TRW	64⅝	64⅝
Compgn	42	42	Melville	47⅜	47⅜	Tyco Lab	48	48⅛
Cons Edis	24⅛	24⅝	Merck	118⅜	119	UAL	147⅜	147⅜
Cons NG	41	41⅛	Merl Lynch	39⅝	39⅝	Un Camp	48⅝	48⅝
Cons Pap	61⅞	61⅞	Minnesota	91⅞	91⅞	Un Carbide	20⅝	20⅝
Contl Bnk	25⅝	25⅝	Mobil	65⅜	65⅜	Un Pacific	67⅜	67⅜
Corning	58⅜	57⅝	Monsanto	77⅛	77⅛	Unilever	78⅝	78⅝
CPC Intl	85⅝	85⅜	Moore	28⅝	27	Unisys	3⅜	3⅜
Crown Cork	76⅝	77⅛	Morgan JP	58⅜	58⅜	Unocal	22⅝	22⅝
CSX	45⅝	45	Motorola	65	65⅞	Upjohn	44⅝	44⅝
Dana	33⅞	33⅝	Nat Medical	44⅜	44⅜	US Life	42⅛	42⅝
Dayton-Hud	72⅜	72⅜	Nat Semi	8⅝	8⅝	US West	36⅜	36⅜
Deere	52⅝	52⅝	Nat Service	23⅜	23⅜	Unsh Corp	14⅞	14⅞
Delta Air	74	74⅛	Navistar	8⅝	8⅝	USFilng	8⅝	8⅝
Deluxe	48⅛	48⅜	NCNB	34⅝	35⅜	USX	46⅜	46⅜
Detroit Ed	32	32⅛	NCR	108⅜	108⅜	USX Mar	23⅜	23⅜
Digital Eq	85	85⅛	NED Biop	37⅛	37⅛	Unl Tech	44⅜	44⅜
Dillard	128⅜	128⅜	Newmont Min	41⅞	41⅞	Unl Telcm	28⅝	28⅝
Disney	172⅜	171⅝	Norgr Mtrck	16⅜	16⅜	Varian	30⅜	30⅜
Dominion	47⅛	47⅜	Nthrp	43⅝	43⅝	Vlsi Mart	14⅝	14⅝
Donnelley	45⅝	45⅜	NL Indstrs	15	15	Waste Mgmt	30	30⅞
Dover	38	38⅛	Nordstrom	44	43⅝	Wells Fargo	68⅝	68⅛
Dow Chem	88⅝	84	Norfolk Sthn	48	48⅛	Westg Elec	26⅝	26⅝
Dow Jones	27⅞	27⅞	Norwest	28⅝	28	Weyerhsr	28	28
Dresser Ind	18⅜	18⅜	Nthn St Pwr	34	34⅛	Whirlpool	51⅝	51⅝
Du Pont	47⅞	47⅞	Nthn Telcm	38⅜	38⅜	Wkhardt	13	13⅛
Duke Pwr	28	28	NY Times	24⅝	24⅝	Wisn Elctc	37⅛	36⅝
Dun Bradst	46⅝	46⅝	Nynex	73⅜	73⅝	Woolworth	31	30⅝
East Kodak	41	40⅞	Occid Petl	22⅝	21⅞	Wrigley	59⅝	60⅛
Eaton	64⅝	64⅝	Ohio Edl	18⅜	18⅜	Wnsn-Lamb	73⅜	73⅜
Emerson El	47⅛	47⅜	Oracle Sys	9	8⅝	Xerox	64⅝	66

LONDON TRADED OPTIONS

	Series	Jul	Oct	Jan	Jul	Oct	Jan
		Calls			Puts		
Allied Lyons (*524)	500	30	52	63	3	13	18
	550	4	24	36	29	37	42
	600	1	9½	19	78	78	79
ASDA (*88)	80	8	10	15	2	5	6½
	90	2	5½	7½	7½	11	13
	100	1	2½	4	16	18	20
Bass (*922)	880	49	85	–	5½	17	–
	920	14	55	–	21	35	–
	977	3	31	–	69	67	–
Boots (*381)	330	53	63	67	1	2	3½
	360	24	38	44	2	6	11
	390	4	19	26	14	19	22
Br Airways (*161)	140	23	29	31	1	4	6
	160	6½	14	18	6	9	12
	180	1½	6½	9	21	22	24
BP (*339)	300	43	49	50	1	2½	4½
	330	13	23	29	2½	8	11
	360	2	9	15	22	26	29
Br Steel (*126)	120	7	8	10	5	7½	9
	130	1½	3½	5½	13	13½	16
	140	¾	1¼	3½	23	23	24
C & W (*536)	500	60	78	90	1	6½	11
	550	16	40	57	20	28	26
	600	2	16½	32	67	58	55
CU (*518)	460	59	62	77	1	6	9
	500	22	35	50	4½	17½	22
	550	2	13	26	38	48	52
Courtauld (*423)	360	67	77	84	1	2½	5
	390	36	52	61	2	8	12
	420	11	31	42	8	19	24
GKN (*329)	300	32	36	–	1½	8½	–
	330	7½	17	28	8½	21	24
	360	1½	7½	16	35	42	45
Grand Met. (*750)	700	56	74	93	2	14	24
	750	16	43	62	14	34	43
	800	2½	22	39	52	67	72
ICI (*1293)	1200	97	124	162	4	27	36
	1250	54	92	125	12	47	54
	1300	26	67	97	30	72	77
Kingfisher (*494)	460	40	56	72	2	12	15
	500	10	30	48	14	26	32
	550	1	12	24	58	59	62
Ladbroke (*238)	220	19	28	34	1½	8	12
	240	5	15	23	8½	18	22
	260	1	7	15	26	31	34
Land Sec (*483)	460	28	44	52	2	7	11½
	500	3½	18	28	19	25	30
	550	1	5	10	69	69	69
M & S (*253)	240	14½	25	30	2	4½	8½
	260	2½	12	19	9	13	17
	280	1	5	10½	29	29	30
Sainsbury (*357)	326	32	43	50	1	4½	7
	356	7½	20	31	8	14	18
	386	1	9	17	34	35	37
Shell (*522)	460	67	75	80	1	4	6
	500	28	43	55	2	12	15
	550	2	14	27	30	40	43
Smkl Beech (*803)	750	60	83	100	2	13	19
	800	20	50	68	13	29	38
	850	3½	28	47	50	55	60
Standrd (*104)	100	6½	12	–	2½	5	–
	110	2	7	–	7	10	–
	120	1	4	6½	17	17	18
Trafalgar (*234)	200	35	45	–	1	5	–
	220	17	30	35	2½	10	18
	240	5	19	25	11	19	28
Ultramar (*278)	280	10	18	28	6	14	17
	300	2½	9	18	20	28	30
	330	1½	3½	9	50	50	50
Unilever (*765)	650	120	138	–	1½	2	–
	700	71	92	107	2	5½	9½
	750	25	56	72	6	18	25
	800	3½	25	43	35	44	50
Utd Bsc (*389)	330	63	70	75	1	2	3½
	360	33	43	52	1	7	10
	390	9	22	33	8	19	22
BAA (*424)	390	40	53	–	4	8	–
	420	19	34	42	12	18	24
	460	5	15	28	40	42	47
BAT Ind (*752)	600	163	165	–	1	3	–
	650	114	117	137	2	7	10
	700	67	75	98	7	17	21
	750	28	42	67	20	35	40
BTR (*383)	360	32	38	47	4½	11	14
	390	13	20	31	16	24	27
	420	3½	10	18	40	44	48
Br Aero (*572)	550	38	52	69	9	20	25
	600	13	26	43	36	48	52
	650	3½	12	24	80	82	85
Br Telecm (*366)	330	38½	43	49	2	6	8½
	360	13½	23	29	12	15½	20
	390	3	10	15½	35	36	39
Cadbury (*577)	330	53	61	69	1½	4	6
	360	29	38	48	7	11	15
	390	10½	21	30	20	26	29
Guinness (*950)	900	69	90	115	8	21	26
	950	35	59	84	22	39	43
	1000	14	35	59	56	66	70
GEC (*186)	180	7	12½	16	5½	8	10
	200	1½	4½	7½	23	23½	24
	220	1	2	3½	43	43	43
Hanson (*205)	200	11	18	20	5	7½	12
	220	2½	7½	10½	18	19	24
	240	1	3	5	38	38	39
LASMO (*343)	300	50	58	68	1½	–	9
	330	25	38	48	9	15	18
	360	9	20	32	25	30	33
P & O (*537)	500	52	–	–	5½	–	–
	550	19	28	43	26	40	44
	600	5	12	24	67	77	80
Pilkington (*149)	140	16	22	26	4	7	10
	160	5½	12	15	14	17	20
	180	2	6	9	32	33	34
Prudential (*237)	220	23	28	34	2½	6½	9
	240	9½	15½	23	9½	16	18
	260	3	7½	–	25	29	–
Racal (*215)	200	21	29	37	4	7½	10½
	220	9	17	24	13	17	20
	240	4	9½	15	27	30	32
RTZ (*569)	500	81	88	105	1½	6½	11
	550	39	52	68	10	20	25
	600	13	26	42	56	45	50
Scot New (*394)	360	38	44	50	4	8½	13
	390	12	24	32	16	23	27
	420	3½	13	20	40	41	45
Tesco (*278)	253	27	–	–	2	–	–
	280	9	16	24	12	15	17
	300	2	8	15	28	29	30
Thames W. (*286)	288	14	25	32	5	10	13
	300	5	14	20	18	19	24
	330	1	5	8	46	46	48
Lucas (*130)	120	14	–	–	3	–	–
	130	8	13	15	8	11	13
	140	4	7½	10	14	17	19
Fisons (*495)	460	42	59	70	1½	8	13
	500	10	32	45	11	22	27
	550	2	13	23	54	54	55
Abbey Nat (*279)	260	25	33	39	5	7	10
	280	12½	21½	27	12½	16	19
	300	5½	12½	–	26	28	–
Amstrad (*48)	45	3	9½	11	3	5	6
	50	4½	6	8½	6	8	9
	60	1¾	3½	5½	13	14	15
Barclays (*437)	420	30	43	53	13	18	24
	460	10½	22	32	37	40	42
	500	3	11	–	70	72	–
Blue Circ (*244)	220	32	37	44	5	8	9½
	240	17	25	31	13	16	19
	260	8	16	21	25	27	30
Br Gas (*247)	200	50	–	–	1	–	–
	220	30	32	34	3	4	6½
	240	10	17½	21	9	10½	14½
	260	4	9	12	24	25	26
Dixons (*214)	180	37	41	–	2	4	–
	200	20	26	32	6	9	11
	220	9	17	22	15	19	22
Euromarket (*440)	420	45	58	72	15	25	30
	460	22	40	52	37	45	48
	500	13	25	38	62	66	72
Forte (*239)	220	27	–	–	3	–	–
	240	14	19	26	9	14	16
	260	5	9½	17	22	25	27
Glaxo (*1260)	1200	107	135	165	27	40	50
	1250	74	107	135	47	60	70
	1300	48	82	110	72	85	94
Hawker (*525)	500	52	65	80	16	26	31
	550	26	37	52	37	48	53
	600	10	21	36	80	82	87
Hillsdown (*231)	200	39	43	48	1½	4	6
	220	23	28	35	6	9	13
Londno (*245)	240	14	22	26	11	14	21
	260	6	13	15	24	26	34
	280	3	7½	–	42	43	–
Midland (*182)	180	13½	21	26	9½	12	14½
	200	5½	11½	17	22	24	26
	220	2	6½	10½	40	40	41
	240	1	3½	–	60	60	–
Reuter (*754)	700	78	105	124	15	26	33
	750	45	72	92	35	46	54
	800	25	50	67	68	77	82
	850	13	32	–	107	113	–
R-Royce (*147)	140	13	17	21	6	8	10
	160	4½	8	11½	18	20	21
	180	1	3	–	35	37	–
Sears (*73)	70	8	9½	11	3	4	5
	80	2½	4½	6½	8	9	10
	90	1	2	–	17	17	–
Thorn EMI (*730)	650	83	88	101	6½	14	19
	700	38	55	70	23	31	35
	750	15	30	46	53	59	61
	800	5½	–	–	95	–	–
TSB (*138)	130	11	15½	17½	4	5½	7½
	140	5½	9	12	9	10¾	12½
	160	1½	3½	5¾	24½	25⅜	26¾
Vod Recfn (*370)	70	10¾	14	16	6¾	8½	10⅝
	80	5½	10⅜	11½	11½	14	16
Wellcome (*705)	600	120	133	150	5	12	16
	650	80	95	115	14	25	30
	700	47	65	87	32	43	50
Eastn Elec (*189)	160	28	28	30	3½	5	8
	180	8½	13	18	11	14	17
	200	3	6	9	27	28	30
Nat Power. (*140)	130	12½	15	17	5	7	8½
	140	5½	9	12	10	11½	13
	160	1¼	4	5½	27	27	28
Scot Power. (*104)	100	10¼	14	–	4	5½	–
	110	6	10	–	8½	10½	–
	120	2¾	6	–	17	18	–

FT-SE INDEX (*2489)

2300	2350	2400	2450	2500	2550
Calls					
Jul 200	161	113	67	32	13
Aug 217	172	126	94	60	36
Sep 238	196	154	120	88	60
Oct 257	197	158	125	95	78
Dec 283	—	213	—	146	—
Puts					
Jul 3	6	8	18	38	68
Aug 10	13	21	36	55	79
Sep 15	21	30	45	65	93
Oct 24	31	43	58	78	104
Dec 40	—	64	—	100	—

July 9, 1991 Total: 23080 Calls 13668 Puts 9412 FT-SE: Calls 3073 Puts 1749
*Underlying security price.

FT-SE 100 VOLUMES

	Vol '000		Vol '000		Vol '000		Vol '000
Abbey Nat	1,327

Commercials hit the big time

Melinda Wittstock on the ever-finer line between real TV programmes and advertising

Turn on the television in any American city, night or day, and what at first may seem to be just another talk show, news magazine or music trivia programme is actually a half-hour commercial masquerading as entertainment.

"Infomercials", once the preserve of insomniacs, can now be seen on major network affiliates and cable channels throughout the day, even in prime time. Has-been actors, sports stars and celebrities have been queuing up to pose as impartial talk show guests in order to hawk financial plans, positive-thinking tapes, beauty treatments, anti-cellulite creams, car wax and male impotency cures. Each time viewers reach for their credit cards and dial the free phone number, the stars get a handsome percentage of the take.

On one channel it is Shelley Hack, a former *Charlie's Angel*, acting the part of interviewer in *Talk of the Town*, an infomercial about David Kibbe cosmetics: "We're going to explore one of the hot topics sweeping the country as we enter the Nineties: beauty makeovers." On another it is Fran Tarkenton, a former Vikings quarterback, testifying to the miraculous effect of Tony Robbins's self-motivation cassettes: "I'm playing the Super Bowl of life – and I'm winning." The next channel has a half-hour testament to how General Motors has helped a local Tennessee community by locating its new Saturn car production there.

"It is astonishing what people will watch," says Tim Hawthorne, the founder of Hawthorne Communications, which makes infomercials for Time Life, among others. "Our research shows that many people will watch a good infomercial many times, even without buying anything. Infomercials are often the highest-rated time-slots, attracting 4 per cent of available viewers – a rating comparable with *Good Morning America* or *CBS Morning News*," he says.

Infomercials have been so successful in the US that a number of advertising agencies and cable networks, including the Arts and Entertainment Network and the Home Shopping Network, are thinking of setting up a 24-hour infomercial channel.

In the late Fifties ITV experimented with *Jim's Inn*, a half-hour programme which featured Jimmy Hanley in a pub talking with his "customers" about new items of merchandise. It was one of ITV's most popular programmes.

But infomercials were outlawed in 1962 by the postmaster-general reflecting establishment fears that the public would be unable to judge which information was independent and which had a price.

Indeed, in the US the line has become so blurred that the infomercial industry has found itself under the threat of congressional regulation. After half a dozen well-publicised cases, in which the Federal Trade Commission forced some infomercial makers off the air over "unsubstantiated claims", infomercial makers created a self-regulatory body, the National Infomercial Marketing Association (Nima).

"There's no legislation on the horizon now," says Jeffrey Knowles, general counsel at Nima, which last year adopted a code of practice forcing its members (90 per cent of infomercialists) to label clearly as paid advertising all infomercials at the beginning, at the end, and every time the freephone number flashes up on screen. Claims such as the one made by one company, now driven off the air by the FTC, that viewers could lose weight if they stuck its diet patch on their arms, will not be tolerated, Mr Knowles says.

British viewers can remain confident that the infomercial will not be reappearing on ITV or Channel 4, but there is nothing in the advertising or programme codes of the Independent Television Commission (ITC) that would prevent an infomercial on British cable or satellite.

ITV and C4 are subject to a 12 minutes-per-hour limit on ads (unlike US channels, which have had no advertising limits since 1984), but UK cable and satellite channels may devote up to 5 per cent of daily transmission time on top of the 15 per cent daily spot advertising limit to "extended advertising features" or home shopping programmes. W.H. Smith's Lifestyle Channel on the Astra satellite already provides some 80,000 viewers with the *Sell-A-Vision Shopping* programme each night between 6 and 8pm. Meanwhile other satellite channels throughout Europe are also jumping on the infomercial bandwagon. "The more channels there are, the more 'grazing' [American for channel-hopping] there is, the better the chance people will watch infomercials," Mr Hawthorne says.



Happy commercial days: Jimmy Hanley pulling pints and selling products on *Jim's Inn* in the Fifties

Here is the news (with a hidden message)

With its hands-off attitude to broadcasting regulation, the US has a head start in commercialisation of programme output. But in the UK another, less obvious, form of commercialisation is thriving: corporate messages are being broadcast on local and national news bulletins in the form of ready-to-broadcast footage supplied free.

Video news releases, or VNRs, long established in the US, have been broadcast recently without labelling on BBC's *Breakfast Time*, the 24-hour Sky News, ITN's *News at Ten*, and in a number of local bulletins on TVS and LWT, prompting fears in the television industry that broadcasters' editorial independence could be compromised.

Visnews, the international television news agency which makes VNRs for corporate clients, says in its own press release: "VNRs are an extremely successful method for gaining publicity and highly cost-effective television exposure for a corporate client . . . Ask most television heads of news if they use VNRs and the answer will be no – but ask the programme editors and they'll probably tell you they use them all the time . . . "

British Telecom hired Visnews Corporate Television, a subsidiary company, to produce a VNR publicising the 25th anniversary of the Telecom tower, which was used on BBC's *Breakfast Time* on October 8 with a story about charges for directory enquiries. Last year, *News at Ten* ran a VNR from Sea Containers showing its Seacat catamaran breaking a transatlantic record. Sky News, BBC South and TVS recently used another Sea Containers VNR showing the Seacat passing under Tower Bridge to be presented with a trophy.

Steve Garvey, the corporate television manager at Visnews, says the European VNR market will be worth "tens of millions of pounds" within three years, as broadcasters opt for VNRs to avoid the cost of sending out camera crews.

But Claudia Milne, the director of the Campaign for Quality Television, said: "There is a danger that this hidden sponsorship could influence news judgment. If such footage is used it should be clear to the viewer that it is publicity material."

Both the BBC and ITN deny they would allow VNRs to influence their news priorities, saying they treat them as they would a press release, with caution and questioning.

Mr Garvey denies VNRs have anything to do with infomercials: "With a VNR the broadcaster maintains editorial control; with an infomercial, he sells airtime to a company that can do what it likes."

MEDIA WATCH

Radio waves

DAVID Astor, Brian Brolly, Tim Waterstone and David Maker – the Classic FM team which lost out last week to Showtime Radio in the tender for the first independent national radio licence – are in the process of concluding final negotiations to take over Jazz FM, the troubled London station, and combine it with a new commercial radio investment company. The company, which will encompass Mr Maker's Buzz FM in Birmingham, plans to acquire a number of local radio stations. As to whether further efforts to secure a commercial classical alternative to Radio Three are planned, Mr Astor said: "Let's see what happens with INR1." The radio industry, uniformly surprised at the size of Showtime's £1.7 million-a-year bid, has questioned whether the station will attract enough advertising revenue to cover costs likely to run as high as £10 million a year. The new Jazz FM investors, who plan to impose their own management on the station, will be poised to pick up the pieces if anything goes wrong.

SA ban stays

THE ban on selling British radio and television programmes to South Africa will continue despite the recent relaxation of apartheid laws, after a secret ballot of British actors by their union, Equity. The actors also voted to continue banning actors, actresses and artistes from appearing in South Africa. More than 6,000 of Equity's 46,000 members voted in the ballot, with 56.6 per cent against lifting the ban on the sales and 57.3 per cent against appearances.

Guardian's monthly plan

THE Guardian has agreed in principle to set up a new, left-leaning political monthly magazine with Martin Jacques, the founder and editor of *Marxism Today*. The agreement is conditional on the closure of *Marxism Today* as well as on Mr Jacques's success in finding other investors, preferably continental Europeans. *The Guardian* would take a controlling stake of just over 50 per cent, says Jim Markwick, its managing director. The working title of the new magazine, to be launched next April, is *Agenda*.

Home cooking

THE Mail on Sunday's You magazine has paid £30,000 for the rights to produce and publish the recipes of Ma Larkin of *The Darling Buds of May*, in two parts next October. The deal gives *You* worldwide syndication rights to all potential titles, such as *Ma Larkin's Perfick Cooking* and *Ma Larkin's Kent Cookery*. Excelsior Group Productions, which co-produced the hit series with Yorkshire Television, has agreed a deal for a cookery book with Chapman Publishing and a scrapbook on the making of the programme with Bloomsbury. The programme, which attracted 18 million viewers in the UK, has been sold to 12 countries, with another eight to follow soon.



Pam Ferris as Ma Larkin

TV action for the blind

THE Royal National Institute for the Blind (RNIB) has called on the Independent Television Commission to back Channel 3 licence applicants who are committed to audio description, a commentary inserted into programmes to describe scenery, costumes, facial expressions and action for the blind, who can hear it on a special decoder costing about £20. More than a third of the bidders have promised to use audio description, already on 35 stations in the US.

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CREATIVE, MEDIA & MARKETING APPOINTMENTS

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Controller

Regional Broadcasting

The BBC is to appoint a new Controller to the Regional Broadcasting Directorate, to succeed Keith Clement, who is due to retire in the autumn.

This is one of the Corporation's senior positions in a major programme output Directorate. Appointed by the Board of Governors, and working directly to Ronald Neil, Managing Director Regional Broadcasting, the new Controller will deputise for him as required, including attendance at meetings of the Board of Governors and Board of Management.

The successful candidate will be expected to play a key role in developing Regional Broadcasting strategy and policy in the years leading up to Charter renewal and will support and advise M.D.R.B. across the whole range of the Directorate's activities. He/she will need to establish close contact with the management teams in the three National Regions and four English Regions to keep abreast of developments, be a source of advice and liaise on Advisory Council and Broadcasting Council matters.

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Gt/Fxd Income 88.95 92.81e +0.21 10.07
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Convertible 44.93 47.04e +0.07 4.61
East 136.9 148.9 +0.4 1.29
Equity Inc 73.95 78.83 +0.16 6.26
Euro Gth 174.8 185.2 +0.8 2.70
Euro Smlr Cos 191.4 201.3e +0.2 1.99
Exempt 68.66 70.05 .. 4.89
German Gth 45.80 48.41e +0.24 0.00
Global Gth 62.39 66.84 +0.55 0.00
Jap Gth 185.4 198.5 +2.6 0.00
Jap Smlrs 146.5 155.6 +1.6 0.00
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Pref & Inc 182.7 188.3 +0.5 6.70
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UK Smlr Cos 67.90 72.02 .. 3.49
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Do Inc 74.11 78.28 -0.16 3.15
Global Bond 22.47 24.03 -0.12 6.42
High Yield Acc 89.17 95.41 -0.47 9.00
Do Inc 31.89 34.04e +0.05 4.48
Inc Gth Acc 82.84 84.10e +0.07 4.36
Do Inc 42.45 45.40e +0.05 4.36
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Do Inc 80.98 85.16 -0.12 2.46
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Do Inc 31.55 33.74 +0.23 1.51
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Do Inc 33.69 27.47 +0.11 1.56
Managed Port 34.75 28.47 +0.01 0.69

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Smlr Cos Acc 181.9 193.7 -1.5 0.60
Do Inc 109.5 116.8 -0.4 1.97
High Inc 84.51 90.79 +0.09 8.37
Income 93.97 100.8 .. 5.39
Min Portf Inc 89.57 95.59 +0.10 2.48
Do Acc 148.1 158.0 +0.2 2.48
Nth Amer 178.97 81.99 +0.58 0.37
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Smlr Inc 5 80.83 86.34e -0.52 3.15
Do Acc 5 104.8 111.1e -0.6 3.15
Hi Inc Prf Inc 48.16 49.53e +0.03 9.24

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Growth 38.97 40.72e +0.24 4.22
Income 43.74 49.96e +0.21 6.81
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Nth Amer 62.66 65.97e +0.30 0.43
Global 59.67 62.75 +0.86 0.31
European 59.92 63.14 +0.67 1.83
Japan 101.1 108.1 +2.9 0.01
Strategic Opp 44.74 47.85 -0.26 2.29
Int Currency 46.91 49.78 -0.07 6.55

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European 67.41 61.52 +0.19 1.40

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F Eq/Gen	48.04	51.06	+0.01	0.00
Do Acc	48.84	51.88	+0.01	0.00
Growth	229.8	240.8	-2.2	2.53
Do Acc	246.3	261.6	-2.3	2.53
Growth	227.3	239.5	+1.9	2.99
Do Acc	48.1	48.1	+0.1	2.99
Inc &Gth Inc	316.5	339.0e	+1.2	5.19
Do Acc	386.8	411.5e	+1.5	5.19
Master Portf	282.24	88.36e	+0.61	2.97
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Spec Sits	61.88	66.09e	+0.15	0.29
Do Acc	70.00	74.85e	+0.17	0.29
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High Yld Exmt	988.1	1030.0	+4.0	8.83
Do Acc	610.77	11.17	+0.04	8.88

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SAA Tel: Telephone: 071-623 8000
Dealings: 1 071-6[illegible] 6000
Amer Index 180.9 181.5 .. 1.90
Capit 483.9 489.6 .. 2.86
Euro Index 108.5 116.7 .. 1.84
Euro Growth 70.84 73.80 .. 1.29
Far East S S 54.89 57.29 .. 1.54
Global Bond 23.07 21.46e .. 8.80
Gold Gen S S 74.57 79.37e .. 2.10
Hong Kong 45.08 48.21 .. 2.91
Income 488.4 457.2 .. 5.58
Intl Sp Sits 61.01 65.75e .. 2.15
Jap Gth 205.5 217.8 .. 0.00
Jap Smlr Cos 31.86 34.04 .. 0.00
Jap Index 91.55 98.71 .. 0.22
N Amer 59.05 62.58 .. 1.11
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UK Index 103.7 110.8e .. 4.35

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Tel: 071-606 0090
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Jap Port 44.36 47.39e +1.34 0.00
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Portf 62.39 66.58e +0.16 0.66
UK Inc/Gth 85.89 90.36 +0.10 5.66

CENTRAL BOARD OF FINANCE OF CHURCH OF ENGLAND
2, Fore Street, London EC2Y 5AQ Tel: 071-588 1815
Inc 528.4 534.8 .. 5.37
Fixed Int 134.7 136.3e .. 10.71
Deposit 100.0 .. .. 11.35

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Income 522.5 527.9e .. 5.44
Accs 218.2e 18.73 .. ..
Deposit 100.0 .. .. 11.35
Fixed Int Inc 105.8 109.0e .. 10.84
Fixed Int Acc 121.1 121.5e .. ..

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1992 Euro Spc 58.45 63.28e +0.55 1.54
Intl Inc 65.30 70.70e +0.62 1.57
Man Gth 59.89 64.82e +0.47 1.44
Pacific Gth 77.59 83.05 +0.51 1.91
UK Gth Acc 76.61 83.62 +0.53 2.57
Do Dist 70.73 77.18 +0.49 2.57
UK Income 60.19 64.30 +0.30 7.01

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Assets 50.33 52.86e .. 8.47
Bank Inc Op Ac 63.18 64.82 .. 6.53
Peter Hse Inc 97.3 100.2 .. 3.91
Peter Hse Cap 197.8 208.6e .. 3.91

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Euro Gth 75.53 83.53 +0.12 1.70
Far East 75.69 80.41 -0.60 0.71
Jap Gnth 36.88 37.93 -0.83 0.00
Managed Inc 84.64 89.14e .. 5.31
Do Acc 89.28 93.09e .. 5.38
Monthly Inc 42.18 44.67e +0.03 10.09
Smlr Cos Inc 27.49 29.34 -0.06 3.63
Do Acc 28.49 30.41 -0.06 3.63
UK/Gen Inc 59.87 63.89e -0.29 4.54
Do Acc 66.56 72.94e -0.33 4.54
Wrlde Bond 59.27 59.48 -0.30 4.69
Do Acc 70.45 75.24 -0.36 4.69
Wrlde Sp Sits 45.94 48.39e -0.45 1.81
Do accum 46.82 50.07e -0.91 1.31
Clutter Gen Inc 102.8 109.4 +0.04 2.18
Do Acc 108.4 115.5 +0.05 2.18
Clutter Inc 85.29 90.72e -0.13 6.10
Do Acc 96.66 102.9e -0.13 6.10
Clutter Intl Inc 108.3 113.1e -0.70 0.01
Do Acc 107.4 114.1e -0.71 0.01
Clar UK Sp Sit Inc 68.28 70.51e +0.01 4.77
Do Acc 95.58 91.62e +0.02 4.77

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Equity Inc 180.3 189.2 -0.37 3.96
Gilt 376.0 398.9 -1.06 5.57
High Yield Inc 104.3 111.0e -0.29 7.08
Do Acc 395.3 376.0e -0.89 7.08
Preference 91.51 42.09e +0.51 10.25
Do Acc 179.5 191.0e +7.52 10.25
PFT Europe 124.6 132.9e -0.46 0.67
PFT Global 61.57 65.60e -0.18 3.70
PFT Gt/Cons 61.93 65.97e -0.18 3.70
PFT Thai 42.03 44.71e -0.91 0.00
PFT HK 51.98 55.30e +0.13 1.31
PFT Jap 100.6 112.9e -0.13 1.06
PFT Nth Amer 61.27 65.20e -0.15 0.00
PFT Sing/M 73.98 78.71e -0.41 0.00
PFT UK 97.22 103.4e -0.48 1.71
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Capl 113.9 121.0 -0.1 2.48
Convertible 21.40 22.74e +0.05 5.58
Eurotrust 32.13 33.97 +0.27 1.16
Europe Mngd 84.51 89.77 +0.8 2.38
Extra Inc 91.18 95.31e +0.27 7.37
Growth/Inc 197.4 208.7 +1.1 5.13
High Dist 136.2 146.8 +0.4 7.06
High Inc 97.13 103.2e +0.43 8.65
Mngd/Growth 110.2 116.0 +0.3 2.55
Intl 267.3 284.0e +2.4 1.55
Intl Inc 80.94 85.05e +0.28 6.57
Pacific 40.63 43.55 +0.39 0.64
Smlr Cos 49.53 52.70 -0.09 0.00
Tokyo 177.6 188.1 +4.4 0.00
Do Acc 2 180.4 184.8 -0.5 1.52
Do Acc 3 121.0 124.3e .. 0.06
Ex Smlr Cos 4 584.5 610.8 .. 0.06

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UK Select Inc 89.49 95.09e +0.56 5.51
Do Acc 110.6 117.7 +0.6 5.51
UK Hi Inc Acc 116.8 123.4 +0.6 5.51
N Amer Acc 76.66 85.02e +0.67 1.09
Euro Acc 100.5 110.1 +0.2 0.00
UK Prop'ty Inc 83.89 88.86e -0.00 6.55
Do Acc 76.81 81.46e -0.04 6.55
Int Sp S Acc 49.8 49.4 +0.6 0.00
Emrsal Opp 82.49 88.74 +0.02 1.44

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High Inc 103.5 109.3 +0.65 9.57
Gt/Fxd Interest 48.84 49.39e +0.42 10.16
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Spec Sits 91.91 96.75 +0.30 4.57
N Am 78.93 81.01 +1.30 1.12
Far East 178.4 184.8e +0.90 1.39
Int Gth 76.06 79.01 +0.52 2.33
Euro 88.97 93.19e +0.32 1.91
Smlr Cos 51.58 54.31e -0.21 4.76

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Do Inc 189.5 201.8 +1.2 3.68
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Do Inc 230.0 467.1 +0.5 2.33
Gilts/Fxd Acc 135.0 142.2 +0.1 8.56
Do Inc 80.76 85.02 +0.07 8.56
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Far East 218.5 229.8 +2.7 0.04
Europe 248.7 271.9 +2.5 2.54
Gilt Acc 348.8 364.2 +0.5 7.33
Gilt Excellence 85.93 89.77 +0.38 4.59
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Do Acc 85.85 89.64 +0.31 6.59
Global Opp 85.67 89.35 +0.55 0.00

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Gen/Inc 130.0 136.0e +0.3 5.84
Inc Plus 101.2 106.2 +0.3 6.00
Pacific 49.07 52.65 +0.11 0.00
Prop Share 211.5 222.6e -0.7 3.97
Smlr Cos 207.8 222.0 .. 2.13
Euro Trust 109.0 [illegible]e -1.5 0.55

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Capital Inc 277.7 301.9 +2.0 ..
Capital Acc 288.3 303.0 +2.1 ..
Core Equity Inc 41.35 43.46e -0.03 0.45
Do Acc 49.01 44.73e -0.03 0.45
Conv Inc 93.73 100.7e +0.20 7.62
Do Acc 188.4 178.0e +0.39 7.62
Euro Inc 85.82 89.57e +0.25 2.68
Do Acc 85.82 85.57e +0.27 0.58
Extra Inc Inc 228.4 234.6e +0.5 5.94
Do Acc 228.4 234.6e +0.5 5.94
Financial Acc 42.33 45.16 +0.30 0.00
Inc Trust 154.4 164.5e +1.0 5.80
Do Acc 197.4 208.9e +1.4 5.80
Intl Gth 280.2 279.2 +1.5 ..
Do Acc 280.2 279.2 +1.5 ..
Jap & Gen Inc 148.8 158.2 +1.5 ..
Do Acc 150.1 159.6 +1.5 ..
Managed Port Inc 78.15 79.17e +0.39 1.95
Do Acc 78.75 79.79 +0.38 1.95
Monthly Inc 116.5 123.9e +0.5 6.67
Recov 203.2 215.3e +1.5 1.46
Do Acc 209.0 221.5e +1.5 1.46
Smlr Inc 37.12 39.46 -0.11 5.66
Do Acc 40.23 42.76 -0.12 5.66
Gilt Gth Inc 58.51 60.14 +0.28 5.65
Do Acc 64.07 66.07 +0.30 5.65
Gt Inc Inc 58.41 59.17 +0.18 8.91
Do Acc 64.07 66.07 +0.20 8.91

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Do Acc 529.0 562.4 +1.27 4.06
Euro Gth Dist 88.38 93.10 +0.34 0.66
Do Acc 88.38 93.10 +0.34 0.66
Fixed Int Dist 112.9 119.4e -0.07 8.52
Do Acc 173.6 183.6e -0.12 8.52
Int Gth Dist 63.23 67.27e +0.41 0.76
Do Acc 64.79 68.93e +0.42 0.76
N Am Dist 141.2 150.3e +1.43 1.30
Do Acc 150.5 160.1e +1.52 1.30
Pref Bonds Dist 197.5 210.1e +0.62 0.46
Do Acc 203.2 216.1e +0.65 0.46
Stand Dist 227.5 242.1 +0.39 3.69
Do Acc 228.5 276.2 +0.44 3.69
Stand Inc Dist 58.06 59.28 +0.02 5.48
Do Acc 57.85 61.27 +0.09 5.48
Man Stand Dist 71.17 75.74e +0.09 0.49
Do Acc 76.07 79.89e +0.63 0.49

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UK Grp Inc 136.8 142.5 +0.5 4.43
Do Acc 136.8 142.5 +0.5 4.43
Do Spec Sits 49.26 52.69 +0.05 2.18
Inc Fund 96.93 103.6 +0.30 7.89
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US/Gend 85.40 91.39 +0.41 0.00
Jap & Genl 376.2 400.1 +3.5 0.00
Far East/Gen 198.8 210.5 +3.5 0.00
Euro 316.5 339.4 +1.5 1.15
Germany 81.16 86.97 +0.67 0.44
Smlr Cos 55.76 59.37e +0.43 5.84
World Spec Sit 88.61 94.70e +1.05 0.13
Global Prp Inc 46.91 50.17 +0.49 2.84
Do Acc 46.46 51.83 +0.51 2.84
Smlr Cos Div 36.74 39.30e -0.69 7.19

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Cashflow 114.04 e+0.05 11.72
Financ Inv Inc 67.65 69.78 +0.41 3.74
Do Acc 176.5 188.0 +0.85 3.74
UK Ent Cos 93.36 100.1 -0.19 1.39
Income Trusts
Extra Inc 89.54 93.66 -0.76 6.04
Preference 21.25 22.73c -0.01 12.19
High Inc 91.68 96.46e +0.17 8.73
Do Acc 110.9 117.7e +0.21 8.73
Intl Fnd Inc 22.19 24.41e +0.03 7.51
International Trusts
Gold Int 78.10 79.17e +0.59 1.25
Eurotrust/Inv 19.88 19.91 +0.19 0.00
Frontier Mkts 33.99 35.81 -0.25 1.91
Hong Kong 88.40 89.48 +0.53 2.56
Japan 67.72 69.89e +0.88 0.00
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European 82.92 88.84 +0.46 1.51
Euro Sel Opp 85.26 88.04 +0.56 0.77
Am Emerg 46.8 48.9 +0.8 3.00
Hong Kong 88.40 89.48 +0.53 2.56
Japan 103.4 109.0e +1.19 0.08
Pacific Gth 94.69 100.7e +0.88 1.47

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Govett (Hong Kong) Unit Trust Managers Limited, Bloc 4, Battle Bridge Lane, London SE1 2HH Tel: 071-378 7979 Dealing:071-588 0808
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Amer Growth 61.86 67.57 +0.67 0.34
Amer Sm Co Gwth 57.24 61.91e +0.69 0.47
Gen Hortmnce 41.82 44.88e +0.32 0.78
Jap Growth 68.86 71.48e -0.24 ..
Pacific Inc 67.39 [illegible]e +0.22 4.91
Pacific Gth 67.39 [illegible]e -0.01 0.00
UK Prog Inc 67.13 71.79e .. 7.02
Gt Britain 48.68 48.83 +0.24 2.17
UK Smlr Co 36.73 38.22e +0.02 4.10

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Cash 116.9 .. .. 11.82
Gt/Fxd Interest 106.5 115.0 .. 8.66
Gth Equity 202.5 209.7 +0.3 3.21
Guarantee 207.1 221.5 +0.3 3.21
Int Tst 128.1 137.9 +1.2 0.37
Managed 472.5 488.2 +0.2 ..
Smlr Co 186.1 197.7 +0.1 0.00
Pacific 49.29 52.65 +0.11 0.00
Prop Share 211.5 222.6e -0.7 3.97
Smlr Cos 207.8 222.0 .. 2.13
Euro Trust 109.0 [illegible]e -1.5 0.55

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Global Act/Inc 59.64 63.26 -0.16 2.65
Global Adv Acc 58.83 62.57 -0.17 2.66

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Capital Gth 81.03 84.14 +0.54 0.35
Equity Inc 97.3 103.4e +0.8 7.59
Euro 119.5 128.6 +0.4 0.69
High Inc 68.81 73.39 +0.28 7.70
Intl Sts 59.01 63.76e +0.64 0.00
Jap & Far East 118.5 124.9 +0.8 0.00
N Am 79.51 84.15e +0.52 0.40
Scandinavian 108.5 112.9 +0.3 1.68
Smlr Cos 28.78 30.48e -0.03 2.48
UK Mar Genrn 36.51 37.78e -0.03 2.20

HENDERSON UT Administration Admin S, Penybank Rd, Ystrad Mynach, Hatton, Blackwood, Gwent, Tel: 0877 [illegible]
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Asian Enterprise 61.32 67.29e +0.21 1.52
Do Acc 90.04 98.81e +0.32 1.52
European 284.6 312.0 +2.20 1.83
Euro Inc 88.48 91.98 +0.44 4.72
Euro Smlr Cos 108.2 111.6 +0.49 0.00
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A country returning to the European fold

After more than 40 years of isolation, Austria is looking forward to becoming a member of the European Community. Wolfgang Münchau explains why

By 1994 or 1995, Austria expects to end almost 50 years of isolation by becoming the thirteenth member state of the European Community. The European Commission will present its official *avis*, or opinion, on the Austrian application this month, but there is little doubt that Austria will become a member, despite the strong preference of some EC officials for a more closely knit Europe, rather than a diverse one.

No effective case can be made against Austrian membership. Austria is a small country, unlikely to change the balance of power within the EC, and it is also one of Europe's wealthiest nations, so it would be a future contributor to EC funds. Neutrality is no longer a bar.

For Austria, membership will mark a return to the mainstream of European politics, which seemed to be ruled out for ever after the two world wars, which turned the former Austro-Hungarian empire into a shadow of its former self. Silesia was lost to Prussia in the 18th century; the bulk of the empire, including Hungary, Bohemia, Slovakia, Croatia and Slovenia, was lost after the first world war; and southern Tyrol went to Italy after 1945. With the democratisation of Eastern Europe, however, modern Austria has regained its role as Europe's most central nation, one that today borders on Europe's two principal divides: between east and west, and north and south.

Austria is attempting to remedy its amnesia about the recent past

Austria's closeness to Eastern Europe has become evident once again since the Yugoslav republics of Croatia and Slovenia declared their independence. Slovenia shares a border with Austria. After the Yugoslav army's crackdown, Dr Franz Vranitzky, the Austrian chancellor, was one of the first Western leaders to hold out the prospect of recognition of an independent Slovenia, at a time when much of Europe quietly preferred to keep the status quo.

The change in Austria's place in post-war Europe coincides with, and is also conditional on, an attempt to remedy its amnesia about its recent past, in particular its association with nazism. The most infamous instance of this amnesia was the election in 1986 of Dr Kurt Waldheim as president, despite his silence about his role in the wartime German army. This election turned Austria's neutrality into isolation as Dr Waldheim's state visits had to be limited to such remote countries as Cyprus and Iraq.

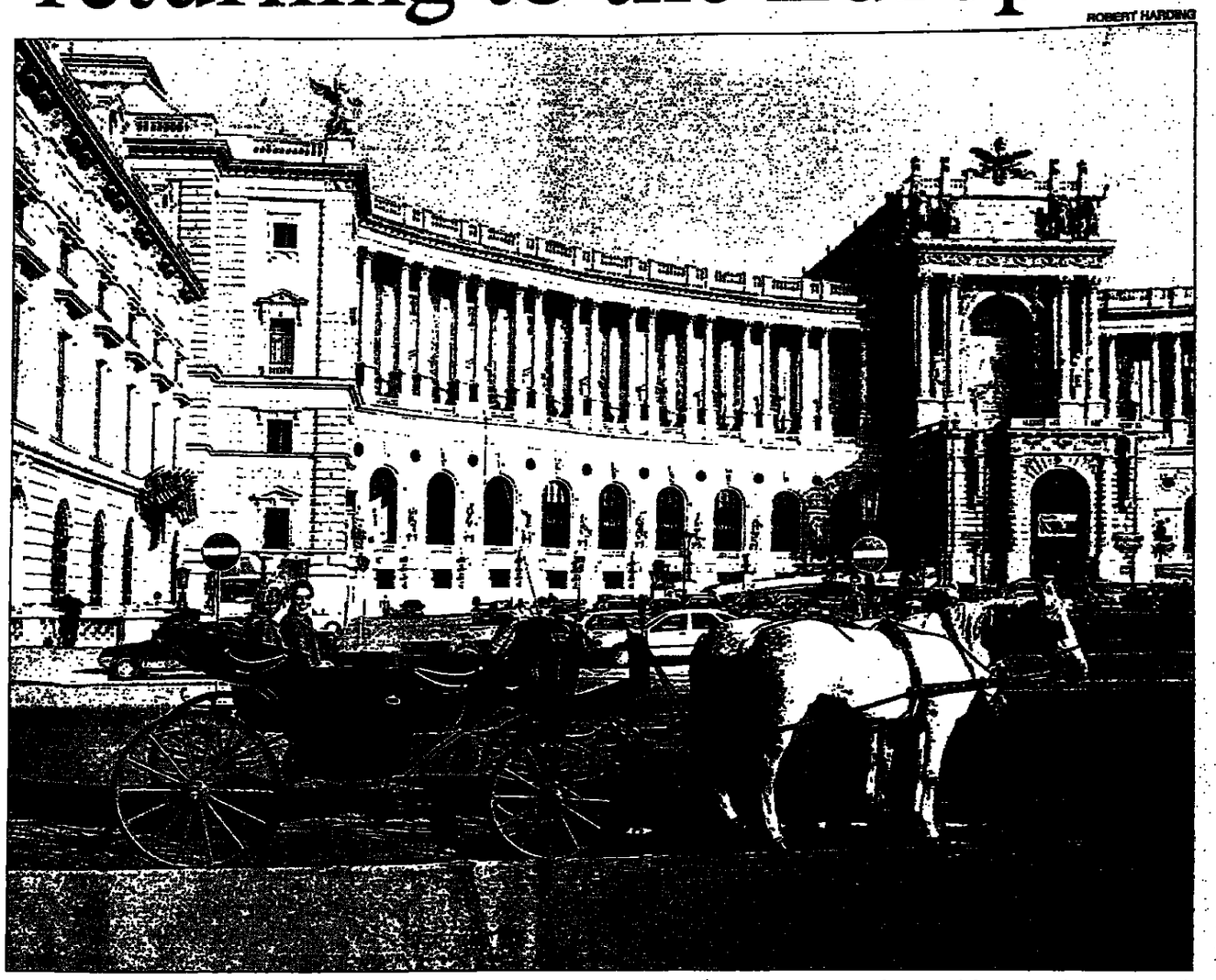
Dr Waldheim recently decided not to stand for re-election next year, in spite of expectations that he would do so, and the Austrian government is privately relieved. Just before his announcement, however, a new controversy broke out over remarks by Jörg Haider, the leader of the right-wing Freedom party and governor of Carinthia, who claimed that the nazis' employment policies were more successful than Austria's own. Herr Haider had to resign from his governorship but he remains the party leader.

The Third Reich is still a taboo subject in Austria. The official Austrian position, repeated in the history sections of the official travel guides, is that Austria was "the first victim of nazi aggression" when it was united with Germany in the *Anschluss* of 1938. According to this version, Austria was "liberated" by the Allies in April 1945.

A first, though tentative, step towards a more truthful picture, in which Austria appears as a more willing participant in nazi policies, was made last month by Dr Vranitzky, who admitted amid much protest that while there could be no question of accepting collective guilt, "certain" individual Austrians were indeed guilty of collaboration.

The Waldheim case illustrated that attempts by Austria to escape from the historical record are bound to be doomed. However, the efforts being made to confront history, however hesitant at present, are a sign of growing self-confidence.

ROBERT HARDING



Old world charm: tourists take a carriage ride in Vienna's Heldenplatz, which is one of the many historic areas of the Austrian capital

The French were once afraid that Austrian membership of the EC would strengthen the German position in the community, but these fears are exaggerated, if not wrong. If Austria is close to anyone in its attitude towards the future of the EC, it is to the British government.

Dr Peter Jankowitsch, the state secretary at the Austrian chancellery in charge of Austrian integration in Europe, is blunt on the country's European vision. He says: "The Austrian EC philosophy is closer to the British than to that of other countries because we have strong regional interests, and also because of our history. We want to see a Europe of the citizen, since our people would not accept it if all that Europe meant was more bureaucracy, and secondly we want a Europe of the regions.

"We do not want to see a federal state. A federal state would contradict the European mentality and contravene Europe's best interest. We would otherwise ignore a fundamental principle of European civilisation."

The Austrians are adamant that they know a thing or two, not only about European civilisation, but also about federalism. Austria is itself a federal state, but unlike Germany it does not recommend its own structure as the role model for the future Europe. Dr Jankowitsch is also sceptical of the single currency, which he regards as "artificial", preferring an evolution of the present exchange rate mechanism.

Austria is jealous of its neutrality and insists that no foreign army be based there, nor is it a friend of the EC's common agricultural policy, which will involve a painful shift in the way farm subsidies are at present granted.

The country unashamedly wants the wider Europe, which would include not just Austria, but other central and Eastern European nations.

The government was appalled by the recent remark by the French president, François Mitterrand, that these countries would not be ready for membership for several decades. It wants them in within the next ten years, not only for their own sake, but also because Austria would be one of the principal beneficiaries. Manfred Scheuch, the country's chief European negotiator, says: "The essential role for the EC in the coming years will be to let its stabilising influence act on the fragile democracies in Eastern Europe. We have to hold out to these countries a sense of perspective, the long-term perspective of full integration." That, he argues, need not contradict the "deepening" of the community.

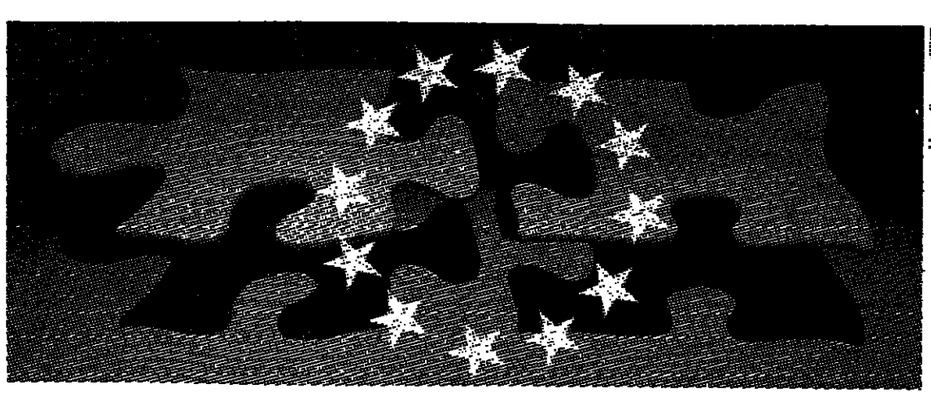
Eastern Europe is special to Austria. The interest stems from the Habsburg empire, most of which ended up on the other side of the Iron Curtain after the second world war. Eastern Europe has remained important for Austria's trade, and today Austrians are the largest foreign investors in Hungary and the second largest in Czechoslovakia.

After the first world war, Eastern Europe accounted for 40 per cent of the country's trade. In the Thirties this fell to 30 per cent, and today it is down to 8 per cent. The decline is steep but proportionately Austria trades more with Eastern Europe than any other Western country.

The first step towards Austrian EC membership will be its participation, soon to be agreed, in the European Economic Space (EES), which will integrate the six countries of the European Free Trade Association (Efta), including Austria, into the EC single market from 1993 onwards. The negotiations have been difficult, and some issues are still outstanding, including the size of Efta's solidarity fund for poorer EC members, fishing rights, and a transit agreement to allow EC lorries to use Austrian roads without the present restrictions.

This agreement is expected to be signed this autumn, however. The Austrian negotiators regard it, not as a substitute for full membership, but as its precursor, as it will have removed many of the obstacles normally associated with entry into the EC. The EES deal, they say, has saved Austria two or three years of negotiations. The government is therefore confident on the date of entry, even before the commission in Brussels has stated its official position.

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THE ECONOMY

In its approach to the EC, Austria has one stumbling block, agriculture. Wolfgang Münchau reports

A glance at Austria's key economic statistics over the years shows the similarity of its economic performance to that of the former West Germany. Since the mid-1970s, when the then Austrian government decided to link the Austrian schilling to the German mark at a constant rate of seven-to-one, Austria has, in effect, given up the pursuit of an independent economic policy.

Although it is not yet a member of the EC, it has enjoyed indirect membership of Europe's exchange rate mechanism, and its economy has matched German achievements over the years.

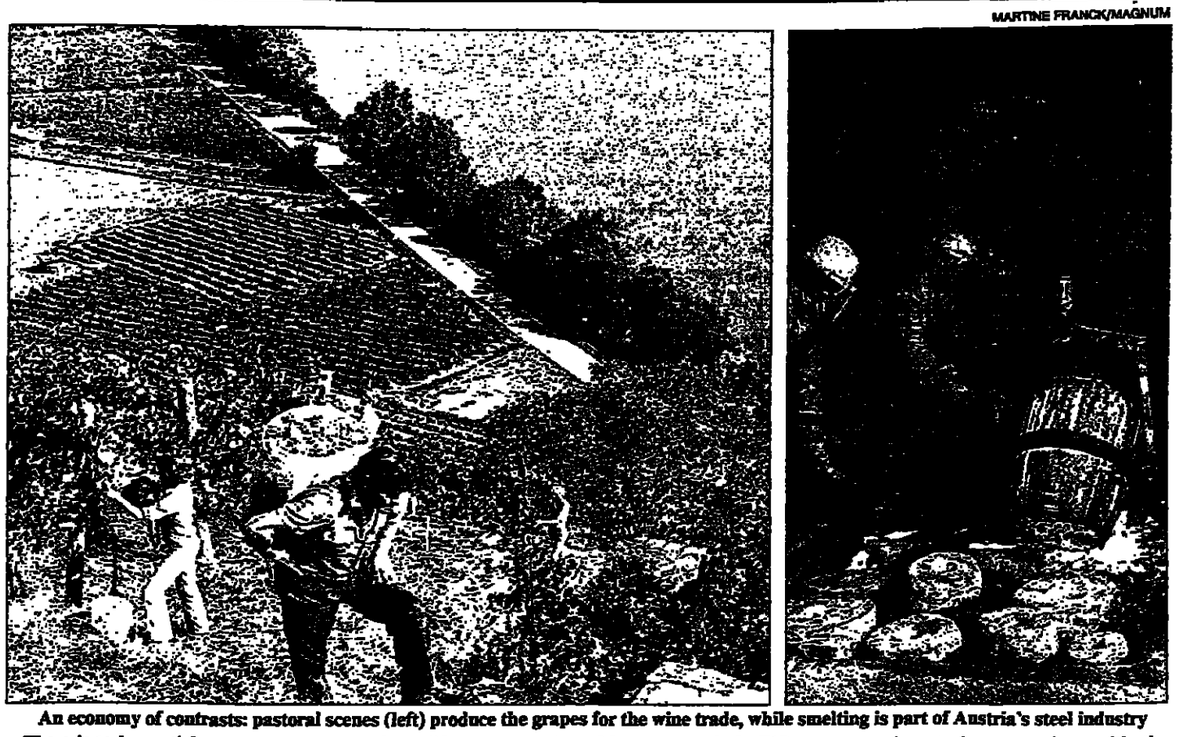
Austria is perhaps the most perfect example of economic convergence resulting from long-term exchange rate stability. This stability is also responsible for Austria's expectation, as Maria Schaumeyer, president of the central bank, puts it, that it will "participate in the first division of monetary union" — a position which assumes that the process is going to be a two, or even a multi-speed, affair.

The price for this success is the abandonment of national sovereignty on this issue. Whenever the Bundesbank decides to raise or lower its interest rates, countries such as Austria are advised of its decision by telefax, and usually have little option but to follow suit within hours. That highly unbalanced state of affairs has induced small countries such as Austria to embrace European monetary union so wholeheartedly. "I can only speak from the viewpoint of a small economy," Dr Schaumeyer says. "I regard the loss of sovereignty as less significant than the increase in influence which results from closer union."

Austria's closeness to German economic performance is also due to the trading links between the two countries, which already form a single market in all but name, at least in most industrial sectors. Of Austria's 4.6 per cent economic growth last year, one percentage point came from the extra demand generated in Germany as a result of monetary union and unification, from which Austria appears to have benefited to the same extent as The Netherlands and Belgium.

Austria has achieved its good economic performance despite a lack of the deregulation and privatisation carried out elsewhere in the world during the 1980s. This makes it one of the countries least prone to accept the conclusions of its own radical school of economic thought, led by Friedrich von Hayek, the liberal Austrian economist, winner of the Nobel prize for economics. Until recently it has had an unashamedly corporatist economy. About 20 per cent of all industrial production comes from state-owned companies, led by the giant ÖIAG industrial holding group. About 50 per cent stems from a protected sector which includes state-owned companies and those which enjoy state protection.

In preparation for Austria's imminent participation in the European Economic Space, the wider European single market which will include members of both the EC and the European Free Trade Area (Efta), and for EC membership itself, the government has embarked upon a cautious liberalisation drive. The last subsidy to the state-owned sector was paid in 1987, and since then the government's role in those companies has been that of an ordinary shareholder.



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An economy of contrasts: pastoral scenes (left) produce the grapes for the wine trade, while smelting is part of Austria's steel industry

There is to be partial privatisation, and some sell-offs, but under the proviso that, as one senior finance ministry official put it, the companies retain "an Austrian character", which appears to run counter to the ethos of a single European market. This industrial nationalism stems from the fact that Austria has no multinational companies apart from ÖIAG.

Politically more serious is the fear of foreign, and in particular German, ownership of Austrian land and assets, which at present runs at about 35 per cent. The prospect of EC membership will also lead to the completion of the final stages of financial deregulation later this year, after which Austrian companies will be able to issue shares abroad.

The one sector of the economy which will have difficulties with European integration is agriculture. At present Austria subsidises farmers solely through the price mechanism, as a result of which natural produce is more expensive there than in the EC. Moving towards the EC's common agricultural policy (CAP), which operates through a combination of price and quantity subsidies, will produce winners and losers. The loser, as in the EC, will be the small farmer who, the Austrian government insists, also fulfils the useful function of protecting the countryside, and is therefore worthy of extra subsidies.

Austria is fiercely environmentalist in attitude, and officials have indicated that this aspect of agriculture will feature prominently in negotiations with the EC. Austria's favoured solution for farm subsidies is an abandonment of its own system and of the CAP, in favour of a system as practised in the United States, where farmers' incomes are subsidised directly.

Although Austria's economy will have few problems with economic, monetary and social integration, agriculture is likely to be the main sticking point, and one on which the Austrian government will fight hard.



Franz Vranitzky: popular

Unexpected events at home and the sudden turmoil in Yugoslavia have given Austria a few jolts

Support for republics over the border

The usually predictable lumberings of Austria's grand coalition government, made up of the Social Democratic and the People's parties, have been jolted in the last month by several internal developments and, most recently, by the crisis across the border in Yugoslavia.

Until the crackdown by the Yugoslav army, Austrian policy was to show sympathy with Slovenia and Croatia, while stopping short of supporting their secession. There is wide popular support, however, for the two republics, both of which once formed part of the Austro-Hungarian empire, and the two main opposition parties, the right-wing Freedom party and the Greens, have called for recognition of their independence.

Erhard Busek, the new leader of the People's party, has followed suit, and Dr Franz Vranitzky, the Chancellor, has made it clear that government policy has been changed by the actions of the Yugoslav army. Dr Vranitzky says: "Anyone who still talks of the need to maintain the territorial integrity of Yugoslavia fails to see that the problem is quite different."

The coalition is a strong one, representing 75 per cent of the electorate, and appears well braced to ride out the crisis. But the showdown in Yugoslavia arouses strong feelings in Austria and has overshadowed purely domestic developments.

The first of these was the surprise announcement last month by President Kurt Waldheim that he would not seek a second term in next June's election. Dr Waldheim has been isolated and ostracised by most world leaders for covering up his wartime service in a German army unit that was close to war crimes in the Balkans, and his announcement came as a great relief to leading Austrians.

They feared a second campaign would again stir up the sort of anti-semitic talk, leading to criticism of Austria, that had characterised his first campaign in 1986.

POLITICS

Another event was the decision of the provincial government of Carinthia to oust Jörg Haider, the country's charismatic far-right politician, from his seat as governor. Herr Haider, who is leader of the Freedom party, had touched off a roar of disapproval for praising the employment policy of the nazi Third Reich during a provincial parliamentary debate.

Not that such tones were new from Herr Haider, who gave his final rallying address in 1986 in Adolf Hitler's home town, Braunau, and once called the Austrian nation an "ideological miscarriage".

However, what was originally intended as a knock-out blow to Herr Haider, one of the country's best recognised and most popular figures, only resulted in his demotion to deputy lieutenant governor of Carinthia. Herr Haider has threatened to stage his comeback from this new post and has not ruled out standing for the presidency.

In the parliamentary elections last October he substantially increased the Freedom party's share of the vote to 16.6 per cent from about 9 per cent in 1987.

At its conference last week, the People's party elected the liberal, reform-minded Herr Busek to its head, a signal that it is trying to stem its losses by choosing a more charismatic leader than the outgoing chairman, Josef Riegler. The People's party is not the only reform-minded group in Austria. At its congress last month, the Socialist party, led by the popular Dr Vranitzky, changed its name to the Social Democratic party, becoming the last such party in Europe to break with the old title that had become uncomfortably reminiscent of the former socialist regimes to the East.

Both the Social Democrats and the People's party say they want to stay in the coalition, and have vowed never to enter an agreement with the Freedom party under Herr Haider. The two parties are trying to hold together at least until Austria is in the EC.

The coalition has little to fear from the tiny, anti-EC Green party, but the Freedom party, even without Herr Haider at the top in Carinthia, remains a threat.

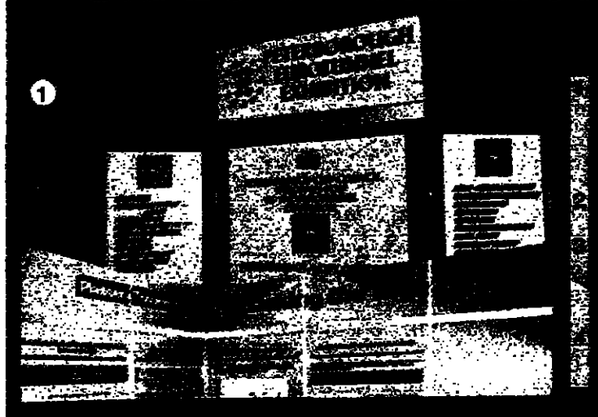
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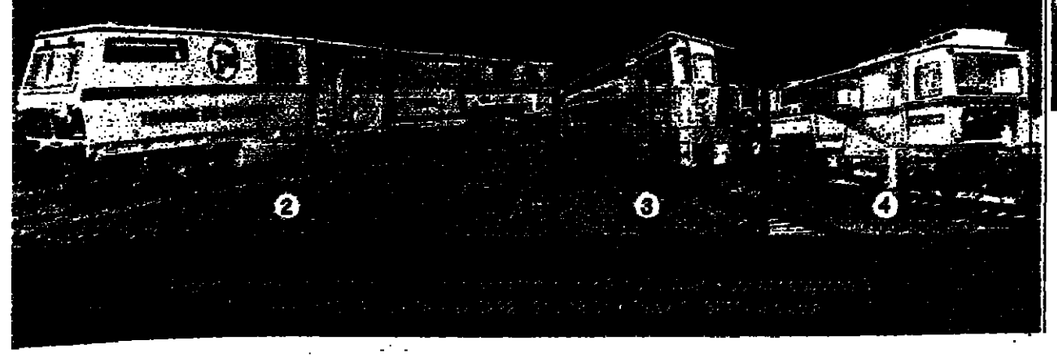
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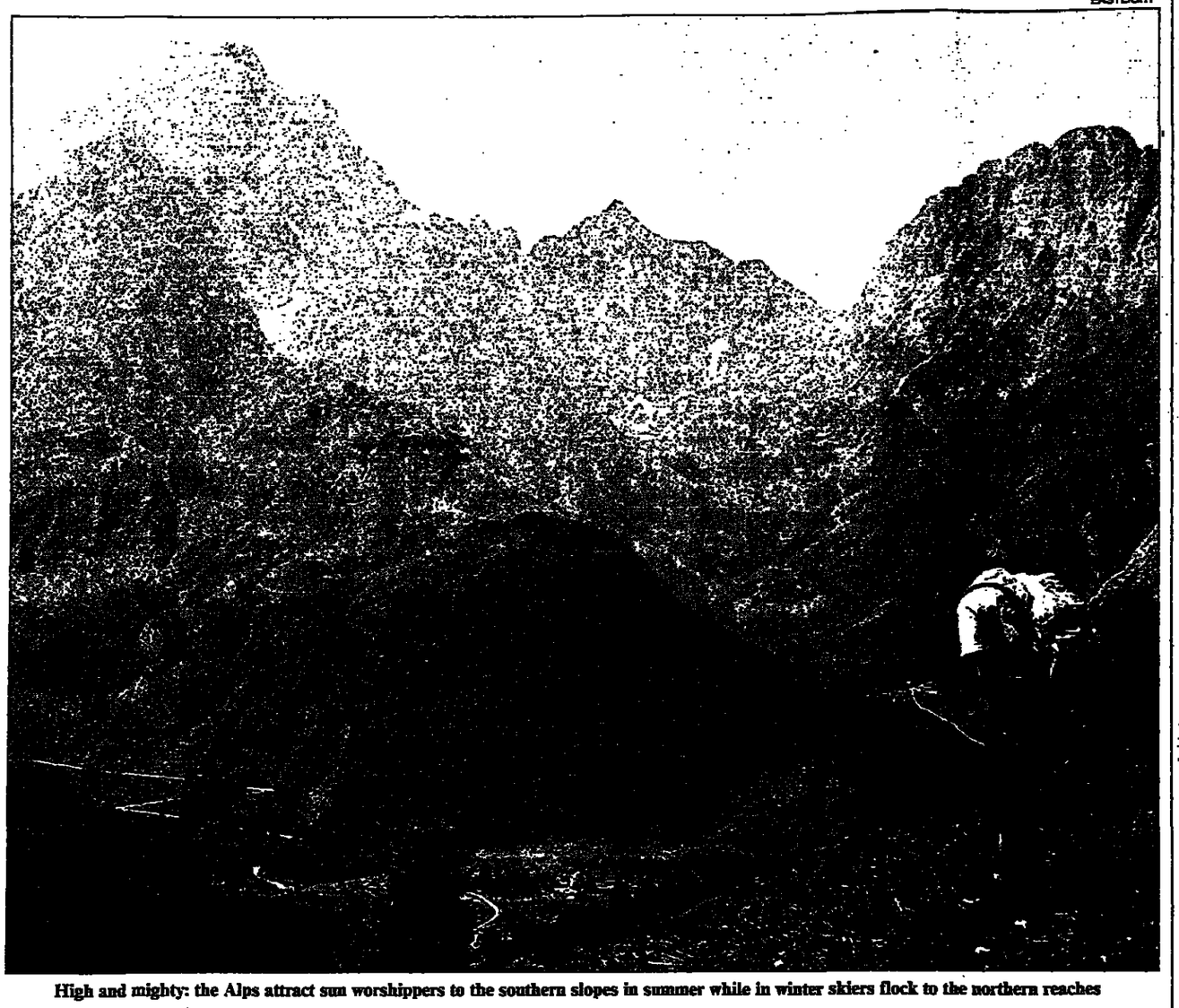
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High and mighty: the Alps attract sun worshippers to the southern slopes in summer while in winter skiers flock to the northern reaches

The charms of the little known Lake Neusiedl complement the majesty of the ever popular Alps, **Brenda Fowler** reports

TOURISM

The Alps entice millions of tourists into this tiny, landlocked country of 7.5 million people each year. From its highest point in the western province of Vorarlberg, the Alpine skyline sweeps east, shrinking all the way so that by the time it reaches the Vienna Woods in the east, the Alps have turned to hills.

In the summer, the southern slopes are awash in German tourists, who, increasingly in the last decade, have decided to stop along the shores of the lakes rather than continue into the heat of Italy or Yugoslavia. In the winter, the northern, snowy slopes attract skiers from around the world.

If the economists are correct, the Alps' pull is as strong as ever. Last year about 19 million tourists visited Austria, making it the most heavily-visited country per capita in Europe. Important to the environmentally-aware Austrians, who fear that their country's natural beauty and resources are increasingly threatened by tourists, the number of visitors appears to be stabilising, while the amount of money spent by each is increasing.

"That means we have a strong trend toward quality tourism," says Egon Smeral, the tourism expert at the Austrian institute for economic research in Vienna.

At the edge of the Alps, most notably in Vienna and Salzburg, Austria also offers cultural, especially music, programmes almost every night of the year. The country's summer music festivals continue to be a major attraction.

Until now, however, Vienna, at the eastern edge of the Alps, and less than 40 miles from the point where Austria meets Czechoslovakia and Hungary, has been the furthest that most Western European tourists have reached. The planned 1995 World's Fair, conceived as a joint effort between Vienna and Budapest, had been intended to bridge Eastern and Western Europe until the Viennese voted down the project in a plebiscite in May.

Nevertheless, the area between Vienna and the Hungarian border, which is nearly forgotten "dead land" because it ran right up to the rusting Iron Curtain, is now alive, both with activity of its own and with people passing through. "It is a forgotten corner of Austria, and yet it's right in the middle of Europe," Herr Smeral says.

Burgenland is the sliver of a province that runs along Austria's eastern border with Hungary. Primarily rural, it is an area of gentle hills, fields and vineyards that surround Lake Neusiedl, a body of warm, shallow and salty water measuring 124 square miles fed by underground lakes.

Moerbisch, a tiny village on the western shore just north of the Hungarian border, is typical of the Greek-like atmosphere of the villages on the lake. Off the main street run a series of tiny cobbled lanes lined with two-storey whitewashed houses. Covered staircases run along the outside of the houses to flower-covered balconies and roofs.

Because it is only an hour from Vienna, and accessible on the city's public transport network, Lake Neusiedl has long been a foremost weekend destination for the Viennese. The Germans, many of whom stay at the plentiful campgrounds, are the only other foreigners who seem to have discovered the area *en masse*. With increased travel between Austria and Hungary, however, the people of Burgenland believe this may be changing quickly.

"We had more guests than ever before last year, and this year, my God, we'll see what happens," says Franz Schindler, a wine-grower and the mayor of Moerbisch.

Lake Neusiedl is between three and nine miles wide and 22 miles long. Only about seven feet deep on average, it has been known to dry up. The flora is a curious mix of the Hungarian steppe and the Mediterranean, but the climate is Mediterranean, with sunny skies and hot dry days. More than 200 varieties of bird live in the area, many nesting in the reed marshes that encircle the lake.

The lake is a favourite with windsurfers and sailors, who catch the wind that sweeps across the Hungarian plain. Biking around the lake, a journey of 80 miles, became possible only last year, when the Hungarians opened up a border crossing for cyclists on the eastern side, south of Pamhagen in Austria.

The vineyards, which were planted by the Romans around the time of the birth of Christ, continue to produce some of the country's finest wines, among them Blaufraenkisch and Welschriesling. Most of the restaurants serve local wine, and fresh fish, such as pike and perch from the lake.

While evenings on the lake shores may have brought the area into the fold of Austrian tourism, there is little chance that Burgenland will supplant the majesty of the Alps, or the appeal of Austria's cultural scene. There is limited space for development, however, in most tourist sectors, and tourist officials are looking at this land backed up against the Hungarian border as one of the last unspoilt corners of central Europe.

Dispelling the myth of a favourite son

MICHAEL WILDERT



Sweet music: a Salzburg shop displays its Mozart wares

THE composer Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart was born in Salzburg in 1756 and died in Vienna in 1791. Both cities are celebrating the 200th anniversary of his death by holding exhibitions and performances *(Wolfgang Münchau writes)*.

Austria is going through a subtle change, however, in the appraisal of its history that is affecting some previously sacred cows. Be it the nazi Third Reich which, not too long ago, one would have been led to believe never existed in Austria, or the Habsburg empire and its glorious emperors and empresses, all are now under scrutiny.

This development has not stopped short of the country's most untouchable figure, Mozart himself. There is now a process of Mozart demystification, involving a challenge to what is considered to be the great Mozart lie. This lie is the picture most people have of Mozart, as the handsome young man, the pauper, the *wunderkind*, who in the last years of his life was left to rot in poverty and then buried in a mass grave, his talents not appreciated by the ignoramuses of the late 18th century.

One of the leading demystifiers in Vienna is Brigitte Hamann, a historian and writer who says Mozart was not only short, but in his later years also rather fat and far removed from what is generally considered handsome.

"The myth of the poor Mozart was born right after his death," she says. "One has to consider how long it took in those times to become famous. Haydn was famous in his time, but he reached the age of 77. Mozart became famous only after his works were published from 1800 onwards. He would have been famous in his own lifetime, had he reached the age of 45."

In fact Mozart derived most of his income from his performances as a pianist, while his later operas earned him about 100 ducats each, which was a respectable sum in those times, about on a par with the annual income of an average Viennese family.

His alleged poverty was not due, therefore, to lack of income as such, but was plainly a result of his youth, the absence of copyright protection and also his extravagant lifestyle.

In his last years Mozart was not ordinarily poor, but he was heavily in debt, having lived the life of an aristocrat on the income of a bourgeois.

The demystification of Mozart was of course an element in *Amadeus*, Peter Shaffer's play that was later made into a film by Milos Forman, but in 1985 this was not appreciated in Austria, where the film was met with an outcry.

The different appraisal of the facts of Mozart's life would be of little relevance if it did not influence the way Mozart's music is performed. However, Gernot Gruber, professor of music at the Munich Academy of Music and a leading Mozart expert, wrote in a recent article that Mozart mystification derived from a "moralising desire for harmony by the up-and-coming bourgeoisie and a longing for the moral high ground during the awakening of a German national consciousness even before 1800.

"Since Mozart's music was incompatible with the aesthetics of the moral high ground, unlike the oratorios of Handel and the symphonies of Beethoven, there remained no choice but specifically to allocate Mozart such a moral high ground: that of a Raphael of music, an artist of the creative unconscious, a childish genius who 'in innocence and unconsciousness produces the most cerebral of works'."

For a century and a half, therefore, Mozart has been performed in the German 19th century tradition of music, "played with hindsight from the viewpoint of Wagner and Beethoven" Professor Gruber argues. What we are seeing today, he says, is "a return to the understanding of Mozart within the context of the baroque" less pompous, less cerebral and more playful.

● A small, but absorbing exhibition called Requiem, at the Austrian National Library in Vienna, concentrates mainly on 1791, the last year of Mozart's life. There are some original musical scripts of the *Requiem*, his last composition, and some previously unknown documents, including Mozart letters.

One of the most amusing is a review in *Musikalisches Wochenblatt*, published in 1791 in Berlin, which reads: "Vienna, October. The new musical comedy, *The Magic Flute*, with music from our Kapellmeister Mozard (*sic*), performed at great cost and amid much decorative pomp, did not find the hoped-for applause, because the content and the language of the piece are just too bad."



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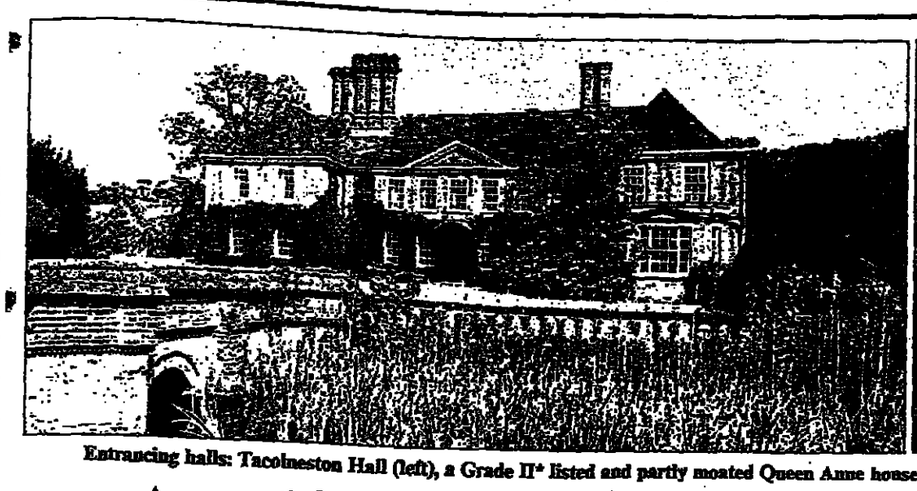
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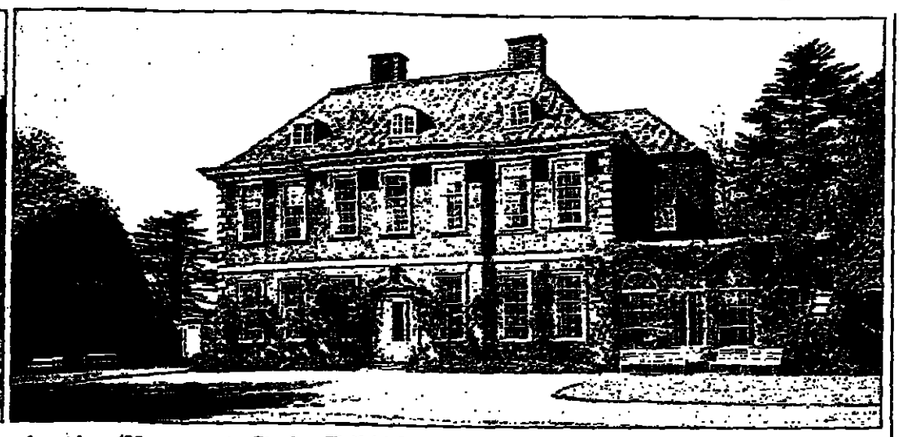
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Entrancing halls: Tacolneston Hall (left), a Grade II* listed and partly moated Queen Anne house, is set in a 492-acre estate. Stanhoe Hall (right), Grade I listed, was the home of Lord Walpole

A slice of history goes up for sale

The price of listed property is being reduced. Mansions with historical associations are on the market, Christopher Warman reports

The sharpest picture of the Eighties property boom and bust is given by East Anglia in *Regional Trends*, the annual statistical snapshot of Britain, which was published last week. The stock of dwellings rose faster in East Anglia than anywhere else, and the region also had the highest number of new homes built by the private sector. The index of East Anglia's house prices, however, shows most clearly the dramatic events there.

With 1985 as the starting point, property prices increased faster in East Anglia than in any other region, more than doubling from a base of 100 to 221 by 1989. However, prices then fell more steeply than elsewhere to a figure of 197 in 1990.

Christopher Miles, of Savills' Norwich office, says prices took an "absolute dive", cutting about 30 per cent off values at the peak of the market. He believes there are now signs of movement in the lower and middle parts of the market, as people have appreciated reality and prices have been adjusted downwards. "We are beginning to see an increase in turnover, a combination of the realistic prices, the need of some people to move and the result of boredom among others who are tired of waiting for the market to improve," he says.

Estate agents still find it as difficult as potential buyers and sellers to be confident. Tim Dansie, of Strutt & Parker's Ipswich office, describes the market as patchy, although good-quality property, sensibly priced, is selling. He says: "Some of the first-time buyer housing is selling, particularly in the Colchester and Ipswich areas, but this will take some time to work through the market. Further out into East Anglia properties are sticking because of the lack of good communications, an important consideration for buyers."

He says that, compared with 1988, the market is slow and stodgy and will remain a buyer's market for some time.

Elsewhere, the latest survey of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors indicates an improvement in Cambridge and a lack of confidence in Newmarket, but a shortage of country cottages and farmhouses with land in the area around Wells-next-the-Sea in north Norfolk.

In Norfolk, some fine houses have recently come on to the market — at today's lower prices. Ten miles southwest of Norwich lies the Tacolneston Hall estate, 492 acres surrounding a Grade II* listed and partly moated Queen Anne house, a "rare genuine residential estate", according to Mr Miles. In the early Thirties it was owned by Cyril Walter, whose family were the original owners of *The Times*. The hall has been in the family of the late Lieutenant Colonel J.E. Gurney since 1953.

The whole estate is priced at £1.2 million by Savills but it is available in six lots. The hall, outbuildings, lodge and coach house in 130 acres are £650,000. Three years ago the asking price for that alone could have been about £1 million.

Stanhoe Hall, five miles from the coast at Brancaster, is a Grade I listed Queen Anne country house, mainly built in 1703. Lord Walpole, the son of Sir Robert Walpole, the British prime minister, lived there with his mistress in the early 1740s, though he did not own the property. The house, in 20 acres of gardens and parkland, has seven bedrooms and four reception rooms. Strutt & Parker's Norwich office is asking for offers of more than £650,000.

The same agent is offering part of Melton Constable Hall, near Holt in north Norfolk, also Grade I listed, dating from the 17th century, and known more recently as the setting for the film *The Go-Between*. The property, now owned by Roger Gawn, who acquired it in 1986, has not been lived in since 1962 and is being extensively restored. At present it is being used as an arts and cultural centre.

The north wing has been fully renovated, and the Justice House, priced at £285,000, and two apartments, at £165,000 and £95,000, are for sale. The property retains its original cornicing, shuttering, windows and panelling. The Justice House has three reception rooms, five bedrooms, a fine oak staircase and an oak floor in the reception hall.

IN THE MARKET

☐ The Hurst Farm estate at Privett, near Petersfield, Hampshire, is a very English estate providing everything in 518 acres. There is a Georgian house with gardens, a swimming pool, a tennis court, a stable yard, a staff cottage and other cottages, a farm manager's house and the farm. There is also a range of Victorian farm buildings, which are let. Symonds Sampson, of Dorchester, and Jackson-Stops & Staff's Midhurst office, the joint agents, hope the estate will be bought together. The guide price is more than £1.5 million, but the estate could be sold in lots. The main house, which has four reception rooms and six bedrooms, the farm buildings and 144 acres are for sale at £840,000.

☐ Rats Castle, Castletons Oak, Biddenden, Kent, is a converted oast house, originally built in 1860, which has been extended, with a cottage and outbuildings in nine acres. John D. Wood says it could be used as a family home with secondary accommodation or as an equestrian centre. The price is about £410,000.

☐ Jonathan Guinness, the son of Lord Moyne, is selling Osbaston Hall at Market Bosworth, Leicestershire, a Grade II* listed 18th century country house. The house, standing in 89 acres of grounds, farmland and woodland, has five principal reception rooms, nine main bedrooms, a nursery flat, a stable block and two cottages. Egerton, the agent, is asking for £1.75 million.

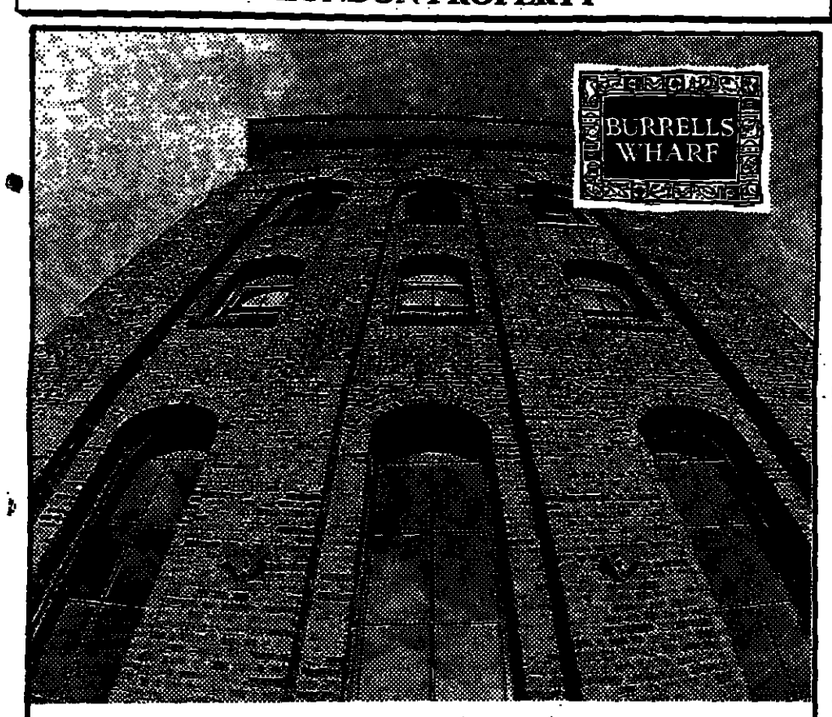
☐ The Gate House, in the New Forest on the outskirts of Lymington, Hampshire, is a fine small country house recently renovated. The house, set in 3.5 acres, has three reception rooms and three bedrooms, an adjoining two-bedroom cottage, outbuildings and a tennis court. Paul Jackson, of Lymington, is asking for offers of about £515,000.

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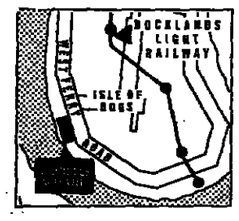
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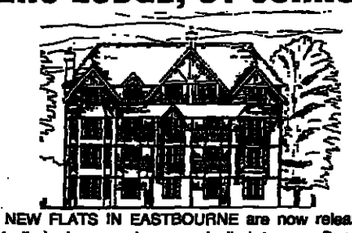
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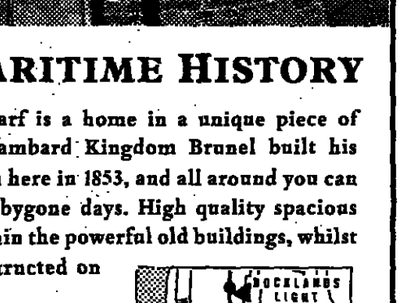
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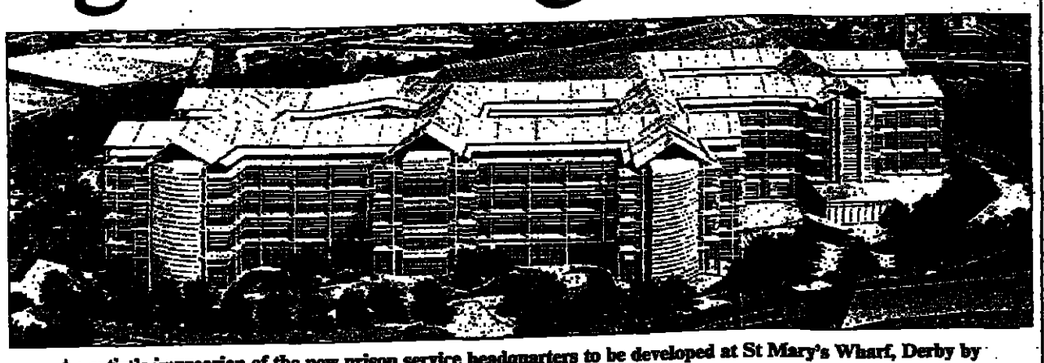
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Making all the right moves

Businesses have to consider costs and staff loyalty when thinking of a move, Christopher Warman writes



An artist's impression of the new prison service headquarters to be developed at St Mary's Wharf, Derby by Hyperion Properties; 1,200 staff will be relocated there from London, and 800 people recruited locally

The relocation of companies in the Eighties property boom had as its priorities either the need for more space or the need to cut rental costs, but little thought was given to the uprooting of staff that it involved.

A survey into relocation trends during the Nineties shows a reversal of those priorities. People are now being regarded as *more important* than property.

The survey was conducted by the PMA consultancy for Stanhope Properties, which developed Stockley Park business park near Heathrow and, with Rosehaugh, Broadgate in the City of London.

Of companies moving from London to areas within the M25 ring, nearly two-thirds had recruited more staff, while companies relocating beyond the M25 saw staff retention as the main priority. Companies believed that by retaining staff they would increase loyalty.

Most companies tend to move as a response to an immediate difficulty such as rent reviews or lack of space, but an increasing number are undertaking a move as part of longer-term strategic planning. One finding of the survey was that most companies relocating were dissatisfied with the standard of service offered by agencies.

Rob Harris, the research director at Stanhope Properties, says that such complaints have been widespread. "Too little attention has been paid to listening to what the customer has been asking for." Stanhope has been researching trends in office use to eliminate complaints.

At an early stage in negotiations for relocation, companies want to establish the total occupancy *bill at their* new offices. The agent Grimley J.R. Eve, using rent, rates and service charges, has produced a set of comparative costs for several big cities.

Birmingham emerges as the most expensive city outside London at £31.50 per sq ft (or £7,875 a year) in a prime city area, £18.15 per sq ft in secondary accommodation and £21.30 per sq ft in an out-of-town business park. The *equivalent figures for* the other cities are: Bristol, £25.30, £12.50, £18; Glasgow, £23, £17, £16.50; Leeds, £23.60, £17, £18.65; Manchester, £25, £17.50, £20.20.

Paris profits bloom in spring

THE Paris property market will provide greater investment opportunities in the next six to 12 months than have been available for years, Robert Waterland, the head of Jones Lang Wootton France, predicts in the firm's "French Property Market Review".

There were some spectacular deals in Paris in 1988 and 1989. During this time prices surged, but by the start of 1990 this trend was beginning to slow down, and rental growth became much more hesitant *(Christopher Warman writes)*.

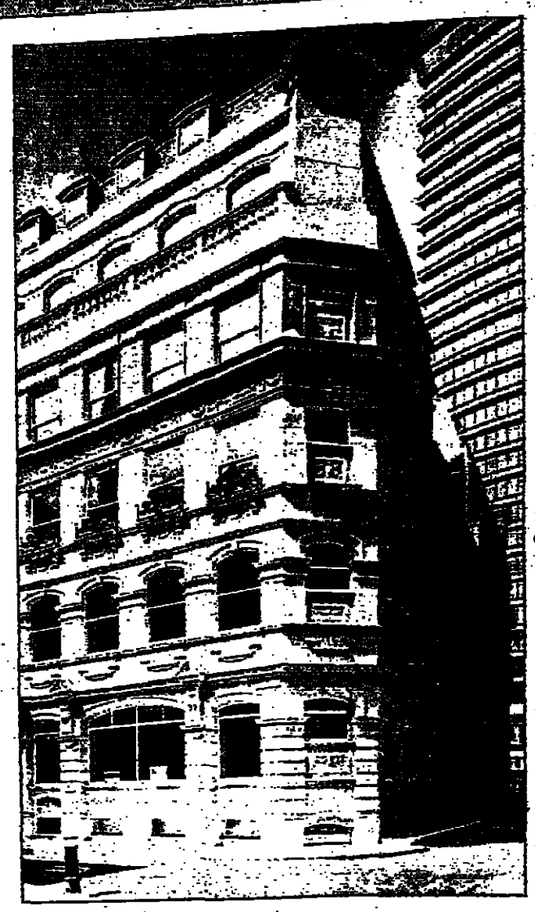
The review explains that property traders and developers, whose taste for speculative schemes, backed by French banks, was until recently an important factor in maintaining competition at near fever pitch, have been keeping a lower profile, and foreign operators have also been less prominent.

The market has calmed down and there have recently been statutory restrictions on new construction that are helping to slow down some of the bigger developments in suburban and secondary locations.

Last year there were about a third fewer new planning consents and construction starts in Paris than in 1989.

The review says: "Whether in response to market realities, or as a result of recent dissuasive government measures, or again because of the scarcity of suitable sites, development activity seems to be finding its way back to more normal levels.

"This will restore stability to the Paris market, and with it the basis for healthy growth in the future."



☐ The first city centre shopping development in Chelmsford, Essex, for 20 years is being built by Costain Construction. The £48 million scheme, The Meadows, is a joint venture by the British Real Estate Group and Folkestone (UK), and is due for completion in autumn 1992. A total of 136,000 sq ft of shops is planned. One of the two main units has been pre-let to Waitrose, of the John Lewis Partnership.

☐ Tower Bridge Court, developed by Grosvenor Square Properties, is a five-storey, 72,800 sq ft office building, adjacent to Tower Bridge on the south bank of the River Thames in London. It includes a four-storey atrium giving views of the bridge and river. The building is available for lease in units of 6,000 sq ft and upwards through Healey & Baker and St Quintin, which are asking £27.50 per sq ft, down from £32.50.

☐ The first phase of Regent's Wharf, the canalside development at King's Cross, London, has been completed, providing seven buildings totalling 67,190 sq ft. The Estates & General Investment scheme will have a total of 165,190 sq ft of offices in 14 buildings ranging from 2,380 sq ft to 47,390 sq ft, and is part of an area regeneration programme. *Regent's Wharf is close to the* proposed Channel tunnel terminus and the proposed King's Cross consortium development, and adjacent to the Battlebridge Basin scheme. This phase combines refurbished Victorian buildings and new offices. The letting agents are Debenham Tewson & Chinnocks and Pilcher Hershman & Partners.

MEPC and the Worshipful Company of Drapers, as joint developers, have completed 39,500 sq ft of offices at 23 Austin Friars in the City of London. The £11.5 million building is a six-storey redevelopment designed by architects Rolfe Judd, replacing four office buildings. Jones Lang Wootton is asking for a rent of £47.50 per sq ft

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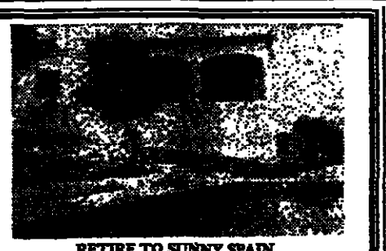
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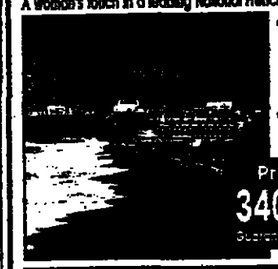


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Authorising call for industrial action

Tanks and Drums Ltd v Transport & General Workers Union

Before Lord Justice Neill, Lord Justice Russell and Lord Justice Leggatt

[Judgment July 2]

The requirement under section 7(3)(b) of the Employment Act 1990 that a call for industrial action be made by a "specified person" was met where authorisation to strike, should negotiations with the employers set for the following day break down, was given by the specified person to a regional union official.

The Court of Appeal so held dismissing an appeal by the employers, Tanks and Drums Ltd, from the judgment of Mr Justice Rougier in the Queen's Bench Division on June 13, 1991 discharging an interlocutory injunction granted by Mr Justice Taylor on May 23 that had restrained the trade union from inducing the employees to act in breach of their contracts of employment by taking industrial action on April 23.

Mr Michael Supperstone, QC and Mr Philip Sales for the employers; Mr John Hendy, QC and Mr Christopher Makey for the union.

LORD JUSTICE NEILL said that in April 1991 negotiations between the employers and employees for wage increases came to a head. A ballot favoured stike action. On the ballot voting paper Mr Ron Todd, the union's general secretary, was specified as the person authorised to call on the employees to take industrial action.

On April 22, the union's regional secretary, Mr Bob Owens, had telephoned Mr Todd and told him of the employees' ballot. Mr Todd thereupon authorised Mr Owens to call a strike if a further meeting to take place with the employers on the following day was unsuccessful. The strike was called following that meeting.

Mr Supperstone argued that section 7(3)(b) envisaged that a call for a strike had to be an unequivocal call by the specified person and one that was free from any conditions. Mr Todd, it was said, had not called for a strike himself but merely given his authority to Mr Owens to call a strike should it become necessary.

That argument was unacceptable. The employers accepted that if a specified person called for industrial action to take place but then told a subordinate union official that it need not go ahead if a meeting with the employers proved successful that was permissible. What, it was said, was not permissible was for a strike to be called if future negotiations were not successful.

Such a distinction could not be a proper one to draw in such circumstances. What was required was a close link between the call for the strike and the event that precipitated the final action. It was a question of fact and degree in each case. The simple question to be asked was "Had the specified person called for this industrial action?"

The union had made the general secretary the specified person. That indicated that it treated the legislation seriously and a strike as a serious matter. The employers' submission could not be acceded to.

An alternative submission by the employers that the evidence showed a delegation of authority or a conditional authorisation that a strike be called, that the union had given to junior officials a blank cheque that empowered them to decide on a strike call, also failed.

In the field of industrial relations it would be quite impractical to leave matters so that no discretion could be exercised by local officials as to how a call for industrial action was to be put into operation.

Lord Justice Russell gave a concurring judgment and Lord Justice Leggatt agreed.

Solicitors: Jack Thornley, Manchester; Read Hind Stewart, Leeds.

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Right to be heard on the application for leave

Regina v Department of Transport and Another, Ex parte Presvac Engineering Ltd

Before Lord Justice Purchas, Lord Justice Butler-Sloss and Lord Justice McCowan

[Judgment June 25]

A trade competitor had the right to be heard on an application for leave to apply for judicial review of a decision benefiting the products of a rival, regardless of whether bias or discrimination was involved, those being matters more properly dealt with on the hearing of the application itself.

The Court of Appeal so stated in dismissing an appeal by Presvac Engineering Ltd against the refusal by the Queen's Bench Divisional Court (*The Times* April 4, 1989) to grant judicial review of a decision of the Department of Transport to grant a certificate in respect of the testing of three marine valves, manufactured by Wilson-Walton International (UK) Ltd, under regulation 12(7) of the Merchant Shipping (Cargo Ship Construction and Survey) Regulations (SI 1984 No 1217), on the ground, *inter alia*, that the necessary tests had not been carried out.

Mr Terence Cullen, QC and Mr Lionel Persey for Presvac; Mr Julian Flaux for the Department of Transport; Mr David Holgate for Wilson-Walton.

LORD JUSTICE PURCHAS said that Presvac manufactured similar valves to those certified.

In dealing with the question of *locus standi* the Divisional Court had considered the subjective effect upon the applicants of the decision rather than the relationship between the applicants and the subject matter of the decision under attack.

His Lordship had no doubt that to consider whether there had been unfair discrimination against the applicants was a relevant, if not important, aspect when it came to the exercising of the court's discretion whether to grant relief.

However, he could not follow the argument that it also touched on the status of the applicants as persons having a sufficient interest to have the merits of the alleged wrongful exercise of power examined by judicial review.

Bearing in mind that that decision was normally taken at the *ex parte* application stage without detailed examination in depth, it seemed inconsistent that the question of bias or unfair discrimination should be a relevant topic for consideration at that early stage.

At the later stage the court had to review the question of sufficiency of interest and exercise its discretion accordingly. Whether that was properly called an investigation of *locus standi* or the exercise of a discretion whether to grant relief was probably a semantic distinction without a difference.

His Lordship personally preferred to restrict the use of the expression "*locus standi*" to the threshold exercise and to describe the decision at the ultimate stage as an exercise of discretion not to grant relief because the applicant had not established that he had been sufficiently affected.

With respect to the Divisional Court that was what, in effect, they had done by delaying their determination of *locus standi* until after they had considered the whole of the merits.

His Lordship agreed with the approach of the Divisional Court to the question whether the department had unfairly discriminated against Presvac for the reasons they had given but felt that that was a question more properly considered in the exercise of discretion whether to grant relief rather than *locus standi*.

On the grounds of delay and on the merits Presvac's appeal should be dismissed.

Lord Justice Butler-Sloss and Lord Justice McCowan agreed.

Solicitors: Stephenson Harwood; Treasury Solicitor; Robert Muckle, Newcastle upon Tyne.

Sex discrimination in retirement ages

Bullock v Alice Ottley School

Before Mr Justice Wood, Mr L. D. Cowan and Mr S. Springer

[Judgment June 18]

A school which had different retiring ages for its staff in that teaching and domestic staff retired at 60 whereas maintenance staff retired at 65, irrespective of their sex, was nevertheless in breach of section 1(1)(a) of the Sex Discrimination Act 1975 by retiring a woman domestic worker at 61.

The Employment Appeal Tribunal so held when allowing an appeal by Mrs Marion Bullock, a pantry assistant, from a decision of a Birmingham industrial tribunal in September 1989 that her employer, Alice Ottley School, had not discriminated against her.

Miss Monica Carss-Frisk for Mrs Bullock; Mr M. J. Dudley for the school.

MR JUSTICE WOOD said that in the light of the provisions of the Sex Discrimination Act 1986 the school had amended its policy on retirement.

Previously all women retired at 60 and all men at 65. It was decided that all teaching and domestic staff should retire at 60 regardless of sex but because of the difficulty in recruiting gardeners and maintenance staff they were retired at 65.

Mrs Bullock's case was, *inter alia*, under section 1(1)(a), claiming direct discrimination on the ground of sex. In *James v Eastleigh Borough Council* ([1991] ICR 555), the House of Lords had held that the test under section 1(1)(a) was objective and if, applying an objective test, the answer would have been that the complainant would have received the same treatment as the defendant but for her sex there was direct discrimination. The act of discrimination was the school's insistence that Mrs Bullock retired at 60.

Counsel for the school argued that the school gave the maintenance staff a later retirement age because of the difficulties in recruiting them. But that argument could no longer stand in the light of *James*.

Counsel also relied on section 5(3) of the Act which provided that a comparison of the cases of persons of different sex under section 1(1) must be such that the relevant circumstances were the same.

He submitted that the relevant circumstances were that there was a need for the later age in the maintenance group and that the existence of separate groups within the staff required the like-with-like comparison to be limited to that group.

The answer to the first part of the submission was settled by *James* and as to the second, the relevant undertaking was the school and the whole staff. To allow staff to be subdivided into small groups would undermine the whole object of the provisions.

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Track's £6 million re-design will profit drivers and spectators alike

The new Silverstone sets tests of different order

By NORMAN HOWELL

THE Silverstone circuit on which John Watson drove to victory in the British grand prix ten years ago will look very different to the drivers and spectators at this year's race on Sunday.

An extensive £6 million re-design of the Northamptonshire track, for safety reasons, and of trackside areas to allow improved viewing at the convex-shaped circuit for television and spectators, has given Silverstone a new look for 1991. Watson, who scored a popular home success in 1981 at the wheel of a McLaren, knows better than anyone the effect of the changes on drivers and cars as he runs a driving school at Silverstone.

"Silverstone has changed completely since the last British grand prix, a year ago," Watson said. "It has gone from being the fastest grand prix circuit — with an average speed of 160mph — to a much more physical and technically demanding race track. There are, in effect, three little circuits within the big circuit; that is where the new developments have taken place."

Its length has also been increased, by three-tenths of a mile. Leaving the start-finish line towards Copse, which has been widened and moved back slightly, you reach Maggotts curve and Becketts, the first area where the track has been substantially altered. This is a three-corner sequence, starting with Maggotts, an immediate right into Becketts, then left and on to the final right-hand corner, Chapel.

"It will look very spectacular, but also, technically, this is a very demanding sequence and some teams will almost certainly fail to get it right," Watson said. "Here is a classic example of when the driver's ability to set up a car properly, in conjunction with his engineers, will be more important than naked power."

The second change is after the 190mph Hangar Straight. Stowe is no longer the corner to be taken fast with just a dab on the brakes, a down shift in the gears and a fast exit at 170mph. Now, again to reduce speeds, it continues round to the right and down into a new section called Vale, which leads, via a very tight second gear left, into a redesigned Club.

Next is Abbey curve, which drivers on Sunday will take at 185mph, then Farm Straight, dipping under the bridge (which gives its name to the new right-hand corner) and right. Some drivers think this is going to be taken flat out in sixth gear. "That will be quite a sight," Watson said with understatement.

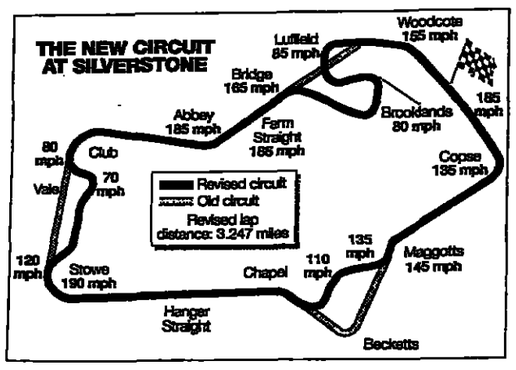
From Bridge into Priory, the last new section, and Brooklands, over the rumble strips and into Luffield. "I expect this section to provide a big physical challenge thoughout the race," Watson said.

"The grip in these corners will generate high stress on the neck muscles. In the space of a few seconds, drivers will experience lateral loads of up to five-G, and if it is a hot day it will be hell in there. Ironically, it will be the younger drivers who will suffer most, as the Mansells and Prosts and Sennas have been conditioning their bodies longer."

After this buffeting, the cars and their drivers go into Woodcote, across the finish-line, and on for more of the same for nearly two hours.


JULIAN HERBERT

Robert Sangster's Musicale, ridden by Steve Cauthen, lands the Cherry Hinton Stakes at Newmarket yesterday




Happy memory: Watson celebrates victory in 1981

Sangster steals the limelight

By MICHAEL SEELY
RACING CORRESPONDENT

ROBERT Sangster, five times Britain's leading owner in the late Seventies and early Eighties, stole the limelight at Newmarket yesterday when landing a double of over 22-1 with Night Duty and Musicale.

Night Duty's narrow defeat of Power Lake and Bit-A-Magic in the three-runner Chesterfield Stakes continued the amazing run of success being enjoyed by Peter Chapple-Hyam, Barry Hills's successor at Manton. The 28-year-old first-season trainer has now saddled 13 winners from 47 runners, a strike rate of over 25 per cent.

Musicale, Sangster's second winner whom Steve Cauthen drove to a neck defeat over Coffee Ice in the Cherry Hinton Stakes, was crediting the nine-times champion trainer Henry Cecil with his third victory in the past five seasons in the group three six-furlong dash for two-year-old fillies.

At 9-4, Night Duty was marginally the outsider of the three runners, Chapple-Hyam admitted to having anticipated this hard-earned win.

"It was only the ground that beat him when he finished sixth in the Windsor Castle Stakes at Ascot," said the trainer. "There's not much between him and Dr Devious at home. And Dr Devious is going to take all the beating in the Superlative Stakes here on Thursday."

Night Duty is now likely to be aimed at the five and a half furlongs Prix Robert Papin at Maisons-Laffitte. Cambrian Hills, the trainer's recent winner of Salisbury's Champagne Stakes, is bound for Ascot on Diamond Day for the Princess Margaret Stakes.

Manton, Sangster's 2,300 acre estate outside Marlborough, has been something of a millstone around the multi-millionaire's neck since it was purchased and then modernised for a reported total of £12 million in 1984. Yesterday Sangster was clearly enjoying the success being enjoyed by Chapple-Hyam.

Of the owner's total of about 70 horses in training in Britain, 37 are at Manton. The remainder are divided among Henry Cecil, Michael Stoute, Barry Hills, John Gosden, Luca Cumani and Jack Berry.

"I decided early on to take the pressure off Peter by sending the better-class horses to the other trainers," said Sangster, "but now it's going so well, we'll have to consider whether to invite other owners to come to Manton. I'd like to drop the training fees in order to attract younger owners. Peter is 28 and my son Ben is only 26."

Musicale, Sangster's second winner, only took her place in the line-up for the Cherry Hinton at the last moment. "She's already won over seven furlongs," said Cecil, "so I wanted to run her in the Superlative Stakes over that distance on Thursday, but Mr Sangster is already running Dr Devious in that race."

On an afternoon of dramatic finishes, perhaps the most thrilling was in the group two Princess Of Wales's Stakes, in which Pat Eddery was seen at his most inspired when driving Rock Hopper to a head defeat over Willie Carson on Mukddaam. The reigning champion hit the 6-4 on favourite six times with his whip in his left hand in the last furlong.

Yesterday's winner was having his fourth race in four-and-a-half weeks and deserves all the credit that is going for courage. "The slow early pace was no good to him," said Michael Stoute. "Pat was having difficulty in getting him to settle and the horse kept on taking a tug at him. He's the toughest horse I've ever trained."

Rock Hopper is now on target for an attempt to give the trainer his second win in the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes at Ascot, but no decision has yet been taken about Stagecraft, the runner-up in last Saturday's Eclipse Stakes.

In the Ladbroke Bunbury Cup Swinburn completed a double when driving Savoyard to a neck defeat over Superoo to give Michael Jarvis a remarkable third victory in this always-competitive handicap in the past five years.

The runner-up, a heavily-backed favourite at 13-2, was an unlucky loser having been trapped on the rails until obtaining a clear run too late. "He was very unlucky but it was no one's fault," said John Sutcliffe resignedly. "He's on the same mark in the Schweppes Golden Mile, so he'll have to take his chances there." His price for the big handicap has now been cut from 20-1 to 10-1 with Corals.

Paul Cole's two-year-olds continued to carry all before them. After the trainer's three winners from that age group at Royal Ascot, he struck another blow yesterday when Alan Munro drove Providence to a decisive defeat over Sky Hunter and the favourite Twist And Turn in the Strutt & Parker Stakes.

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By NORMAN HOWELL

TYRRELL is about to secure a new sponsor for the Formula One season next year. Rothmans, the cigarette maufacturer, has pulled out of yatching and is known to have been looking at the possibility of moving into the grand prix circuit for some time.

Over the last 24 hours, a number of leaks and whispers have pointed firmly towards the Surrey-based British team. Ken Tyrrell, the founder and owner of the team, was surprised, but only because "we have not heard from them for a couple of months".

"But if Rothmans were to be sponsors of ours, we would become serious championship contenders in 1992," he said. "Their name would provide us with huge clout."

The news that his team had been mentioned in connection with Rothmans, by financial and sporting sources, clearly pleased Tyrrell. His season has been below expectations so far and the news that Satoru Nakajima, his Japanese driver, may be retiring at the end of the season would have worried him.

Nakajima arrived at Tyrrell with Epson and PIAA money. He was also wanted by Honda, which supplies engines for the team. The loss of some of the Japanese sponsors — though not of Honda, which has not yet demanded another Japanese driver for next year — would be a severe blow for Tyrrell. A contract with Rothmans would be ideal for them as, according to Tyrrell, it would prevent them "getting out there and getting whatever sponsor we can".

Tripos examination results from Cambridge university

Final MB Examination
Part II
Obstetrics and Gynaecology

S N Ahmad (Corpus): R Ahmed (Christ's): C R R Aitken (Caius): S L Alford (Queens'): T D Allport (Gonville): S F Anderson (Trin H): W G Anderson (Clare): U Balasegaram (Caius): R M Banerjee (John): S R Barbouttis (Fitz): C A Bellhouse (Corpus): R C Blenkiron (Trin): R Bower (Trin): H D D Brook (King's): N I Broughton (Down): K L Brown (Caius): R H Caesar (Queens'): L E Carr (Clare): E C Castanedo (Fitz): F M Clement (King's): A B J Cole (Selw): A J Cruickshank (Trin H): H A Dankes (Emm): J N Day (Caius): L Dominey (Down): M J A Feasey (Caius): E A Fraser-Andrews (Corpus): G P-G Fung (Queens'): C J Gatiss (New): A R Goodwyn (Christ's): A Graham (Emm): K Green (Caius): L A Hammond (Clare): S J E Hanna (Emm): J C H Hardwick (Clare): N J Haywood (Cav): N P Hutchinson (Selw): E C Jesudason (Caius): L B Johnston (Corpus): P R Kaira (Christ's): D Kinsella (Jesus): J Lactiman (Christ's): V Lee (New): I J Lim (Magd): S C Linnean (Girt): S Majid (King's): A J Montgomery (Clare): Mosopefi Morris (Down): C W Mulstero (Queens'): S Netherwood (John): A J Nicholls (John): S Nicol (Christ's): A T J Norton (Jesus (Selw)): A R M Jones (Caius): S P O'Riordan (Caius): S H Otton (New): A J Price (Caius): N Price (Emm): C N Pugh (Cav): E C Pugh (Queens'): R M Rae (Caius): A K Reinhardt (Queens'): H S Sandhu (Magd): A M Santhouse (Emm): A K Sinha (New): M E Cox (Down): M M Slade (Caius): S A Stanley (Christ's): D P H Stark (Fitz): C J Stevens (Down): T Thillainathan (Jesus): L A E Turner (Fitz): G H S Vine (Emm): P M Webster (Pemb): M H Wagstaff (Caius): F K S Welsh (Trin): N C Wilkinson (Trin H): R E White (John): J M Wilkinson (Girt): I L Williams (Girt): R S Williams (John): A G Willis (Jesus): S A Wills (Down): S J Wood (Jesus): M Woodbridge (King's): S E Woods (John): M E Wyatt (Christ's)

Final MB Examination
Part I
Pathology

* denotes distinction

*C R R Aitken (Caius): S R Anderson (King's): J W B Bainbridge (King's): R M Banerjee (John): H J Blanshard (John): N I Broughton (Down): A Cook (Pet): R A J Cooke (Trin H): H A Dankes (Emm): *E A Fraser-Andrews (Corpus): A J Gretton (Corpus): S J E Hanna (Emm): J C H Hardwick (Caius): R J Harlow (Caius): I C Jourdan (Trin H): P R Kaira (Jesus): J Lim (Magd): S Majid (King's): A J Montgomery (Clare): S Netherwood (John): A T J O'Brien (Queens'): A-M O'Carroll (Caius): S H Otton (Newn): M Pandey (Jesus): *A J Price (Caius): N Price (Emm): A M Santhouse (Emm): M J Starr (Cath): G J Stevens (Trin H): J M Wilkinson (Caius): P M Webster (Pemb): F K S Welsh (Trin H): N E J West (Trin H): I L Williams (Girt): R S Williams (John): A G Willis (Jesus): M Woodbridge (King's): S E Woods (John): M E Wyatt (Christ's)

Final MB Examination
Part III
Medicine and Surgery

A – Medicine B – Surgery
* – Distinction in Medicine
† – Distinction in Surgery

H F Alexander (Jesus) AB: M L Artley (Christ's) AB: C M Balchin (Newn) AB: N A Bevan (King's) AB: D J I Bennett (Trin) AB: N J Brunswood (Caius) AB: S J Burns (Rob) AB: P J Cantrell (Queens') AB: J M Chantler (Cath) AB: *A L Crown (Trin H) AB: S J Dalton (Jes) AB: D C Davies (Rob) AB: V C de Souza (King's) AB: R S Dobbie (Clare) AB: A J P Escorsky (Selw) AB: D R B Evans (Caius) AB: S M Ellis (Sidney) AB: W P Farquhar-Smith (Pemb) AB: H E R Ford (Magd) AB: S P Fox (John) AB: F M Gallimore (Christ's) AB: F H Gorton (Trin) AB: M Gurbina (Trin) AB: J D Halcox (Queens') AB: S C Hall (Chist) AB: D A Harari (Cav) AB: K Herrington (Newn) AB: †E C I Hatfield (Jesus) AB: A G Hazrati (Pemb) AB: M Head (Queens') AB: *A G Herlot (Caius) AB: F H T Hon (Newn) AB: R I John (Sidney) AB: L P Johnson (Clare) AB: A J Jones (Selw) AB: R M Jones (John) AB: Y C Juhasz (Fitz) AB: J R Katz (Christ's) AB: S L Keir (Trin) AB: S R Kelly (Corpus) AB: E A Lamb (Jesus) AB: C Y Lee (Cav) A: A J Leonard (Clare) AB: S J Lloyd-Owen (Christ's) AB: W J McAllister (John) AB: A D McQuoin (Queens') AB: P C McPherson (Lucy) AB: N J Mantoski (Wolf) AB: E L Meadings (New H) AB: L R Melnick (New H) AB: C K Mistry (Caius) AB: K I Mitchell (Down) AB: *§ E H Mitchell (Jesus) AB: A P M Moreau (Jesus) AB: J F Morgan (Girt) AB: C F Morling (Sidney) AB: K K L Ong (John) AB: † R O'Hara (Corpus) AB: M A Osei-Bonsu (Cath) AB: L A Parel (New H) AB: K E V Pedler (Clare) AB: J C T Pepperell (Sidney) AB: M A C Pietroni (Magd) AB: T L Pickrell (Caius) AB: D A Price (King's) AB: I T Redmond (Fitz) AB: P J Riddle (Down) AB: A Riley (Lucy) AB: C D Roberts (Rob) AB: I J Roberts (Caius) AB: Sapford (Jesus) AB: J M Sarkodie-Gyan (Caius) AB: *†J C Sargant (Queens') AB: A K Sharma (New H) A: M V Shembekar (Clare) AB: P J Smith (John) AB: J M C Sommer (Magd) AB: J S Stern (Christ's) AB: T G Stevens (Trin) AB: A F M Stone (Cath) AB: T. Tantiwongse (Cath) AB: C M Tenoy (Cath) AB: L K K Teoh (John) AB: *N H E Turner (Clare) ABs: J M Udin (Peterh) AB: B M Useimann (Caius) AB: T H Verity (Christ's) AB: S A Vogelsang (Caius) AB: C-Y J Wang (Trin) B: E J Wheeler (Queens') AB: *J M Whitaker (Trin H) AB: I S Y Wong (Caius) AB: A M Zurek (Caius) AB

Natural Sciences
Part IB

Class I: D J Alford (Christ's): T J Asprey (Fitz): A M Baker (Magd): S N Baker (John): A J Barton (Fitz): D Bastin (Fitz): A J Bell (Trin H): D Bird (Chur): M G Bitz (Magd): P A Brahin (Girt): J A Brigshaw (Chur): T G Bush (Queens'): N Carnall (Christ's): N E Clark (King's): S E Clement (Newn): I A Collins (Clare): C J Colyer (Chur): L R Crisp (Chur): S L Dalrymple (Christ's): M R Dezmond (Trin H): J. Desmond-Thorpe (Emm): P A de Sa (Christ's): R S Devon (Christ's): F Downham (John): J P K Doye (Down): T D Evans (Jesus): C M Farmer (Trin H): P A Fine (Trin H): T H Fitch (Sidney): A F Fox Murphy (Christ's): J D F Franklin (John): S D Freeman (Cath): A J Gill (Clare): T J Goodchild (Trin H): R Green (John): J A Guy (Clare): H D Haley (Chur): C E N Hall (Down): D J Hallett (Queens'): M E J Hamm (Christ's): K K Hanay (Jesus): A R Harris (Down): K Harrison (Newn): N J Hayward (John): N J Hirons (Trin): S M S Hosein (Cath): P J Howells (Sidney): D S R Humphries (Jesus): A E Hunter (Queens'): G C Ingram (Newn): T Jafar (John): G R Jenkins (Trin H): M W Jex (Sidney): V Kanchan (Pemb): M F J Kaula (Girt): R J Kirby (Queens'): A P Lee (King's): S L Lim (Christ's): D Lyon (Jesus): K Lipman (John): W L Lon (Down): A Lowe (Christ's): C E Mann (Christ's): D Mayo (Clare): C G Meek (King's): A C Millard (Trin): C Milburn (Newn): C Y Mo (John): A L Moody (Clare): N P I Mooney (King's): R W Moore (John): K A Morgan (Jesus): C S Napthine (Trin H): M O S Nash (King's): W F Ng (Fitz): P A O'Brien (Queens'): S J Owens (Chur): G K Page (Girt): H Patel (Down): D J Pinner (Jesus): I A C Powell (Chur): G M Preston (Cath): S R Price (Caius): M P Pringle (Newn): C S Reynolds (Trin): P K Rhoden (Peterh): S P Roberts (King's): D M G Riggs (Caius): S Roberts (Girt): P W F Roberts (Queens'): S Robin (Queens'): M J Rutter (Queens'): L Samuels (Sidney): J Sanderson (John): D Sanderson (Emm): M J F Satchell (Trin H): P W Schatz (John): N J Seed (Girt): A Seyed (Peterh): A A Siddiqui (Down): E A Simons (Jesus): J P Sloan (Queens'): J E Spowart (Down): E C Sturgess (Jesus): R M Savage (Fitz): V M L Tam (Trin): H C Taylor (Newn): S H Teo (New H): R W Thornley (John): M J Tully (King's): A Turnbull (King's): N Turner (John): L J Tyler (Newn): G C Varney (Queens'): S J Vood (Queens'): A Weybrew (Clare): D R Wilson (Chur): M T Wilson (Clare): R W Zammet (Trin)

Class II (Div 1): D C R Abbott (Down): C Abdullah (Trin H): S A Abernethy: N R Alcock (Trin): C M Allen (Christ's): D R Balgent (Cav): D S Bailey (Pemb): M Banks (Fitz): K E Barlow (Trin H): E Beales (Trin): A J Beatty (Cav): N C Bennett (Trin H): M K Berevas (Newn): T B Bradley (Queens'): C Bradshaw (Peterh): C Brahmbhatt (Girt): G A Brimacombe (Christ's): R E Brown (Trin): S C C Buchanan (Christ's): S C Buck (Trin H): S C Burd (Girt): J Burnside (Girt): E M Calder (Jesus): C L Chalmers (Selw): M D Chapman (Down): A S Charles (New H): P J Clarke (Queens'): F R Cohen (Queens'): A P Collier (Selw): M I Crabtree (Queens'): Cross-Hine (Cath): C H Crowther (Jesus): A A Cudbert (Newn): T. Curtis (Queens'): S Danes (John): P R Daniels (Girt): S L Davis (Sidney): G T Davies (Trin): N H Davis (Girt): M Davis (Trin H): N J Dearnaley (Trin): E de Bellaigue (Caius): N S Dove (Jesus): A R Downes (Christ's): D C Duffy (Selw): D E P Eley (Cav): C R Ellis (Jesus): R J Farries (Down): M Fay (Fitz): N I Fenn (Trin): N J Finnie (Girt): C Flaherty (Chur): K E Flanagan (Clare): H J Frier (Selw): S D W Frost (Trin): I J Furlong (Girt): N M Fussing (Girt): B L Gale (Christ's): A N Garratt (Selw): C E Gaultline (Clare): B R Gibbs (Fitz): C J Gilbert (Emm): T M Gorman (Jesus): S Good (Selw): J R Goodge (Rob): C Goodall (Chur): J N Goodman (Magd): K J B Grainge (Caius): S J R Granleese (Trin): N M Gray (Girt): R G M Green (Chur): N D Grey (Emm): A L Grist (Sidney): D S R Humphries (Jesus): A E Hunter (Queens'): G C Ingram (Newn): T Jafar (John): G R Jenkins (Trin H): M W Jex (Sidney): V Kanchan (Pemb): M F J Kaula (Girt): R J Kirby (Queens'): A P Lee (King's): S L Lim (Christ's): D Lyon (Jesus): K Lipman (John): W L Lon (Down): A Lowe (Christ's): C E Mann (Christ's): D Mayo (Clare): C G Meek (King's): A C Millard (Trin): C Milburn (Newn): C Y Mo (John): A L Moody (Clare): N P I Mooney (King's): R W Moore (John): K A Morgan (Jesus): C S Napthine (Trin H): M O S Nash (King's): W F Ng (Fitz): P A O'Brien (Queens'): S J Owens (Chur): G K Page (Girt): H Patel (Down): D J Pinner (Jesus): I A C Powell (Chur): G M Preston (Cath): S R Price (Caius): M P Pringle (Newn): C S Reynolds (Trin): P K Rhoden (Peterh): S P Roberts (King's): D M G Riggs (Caius): S Roberts (Girt): P W F Roberts (Queens'): S Robin (Queens'): M J Rutter (Queens'): L Samuels (Sidney): J Sanderson (John): D Sanderson (Emm): M J F Satchell (Trin H): P W Schatz (John): N J Seed (Girt): A Seyed (Peterh): A A Siddiqui (Down): E A Simons (Jesus): J P Sloan (Queens'): J E Spowart (Down): E C Sturgess (Jesus): R M Savage (Fitz): V M L Tam (Trin): H C Taylor (Newn): S H Teo (New H): R W Thornley (John): M J Tully (King's): A Turnbull (King's): N Turner (John): L J Tyler (Newn): G C Varney (Queens'): S J Vood (Queens'): A Weybrew (Clare): D R Wilson (Chur): M T Wilson (Clare): R W Zammet (Trin)

Class II (Div 2): M Abu Sharar (Pemb): R J Addison (Newn): M R F Aitken (King's): B Alcan (Trin): L Allers (Caius): K J Armstrong (Girt): G A Attridge (Queens'): P J Bacon (Pemb): T B G Bainsforth (Rob): A C Barbrook (Corpus): J M Beecham (Emm): R A Bell (Girt): C L Bevan (Queens'): A E Bhandari (New H): S Bhattacharyya (Cath): M J Black (Christ's): A R Blackburn (Queens'): A E Bowden (Trin H): J M Buchdahl (Trin): A P Burden (Chur): M S Burton (Cath): P A Bussell (Sidney): H L Buxton (New H): M Campbell-Brown (Trin H): I R Hamilton (Chur): J A Carey (Jesus): C Carr (Down): E H Carruthers (Christ's): L C Cass (Trin H): P J Chapman (Trin H): C Clarke (Girt): M G T Cole (Girt): L M Colsby (Girt): S J Colley (Girt): C J Compton (Jesus): N Cooke (Selw): M G Cooper (Rob): N Copeman (Trin): G T Coulson (Selw): C Cowan (Clare): S J Cox (Queens'): T J R Cullis (Girt): S L Davis (Peterh): A L Davies (Christ's): S L Davies (Rob): E J Davis (Newn): A S Dawson (Trin H): M Hanahoy (Trin H): J Dixon (Trin): E E Dix Parkin (Selw): D J Dunstar (Rob): L A Edwards (Trin H): S J Evans (Trin): S G Evans (John): K J Eyre (Clare): C A Ferguson (Jesus): P G Foster (Jesus): C Freeman (Emm): A J Gamble (Clare): A H T Garrett (Fitz): S F Gentleman (Pemb): F E Glasscock (Selw): N J Godfrey (New H): E Goldsmith (Christ's): R E Goldstein (Jesus): M J Goodband (King's): R C Gosden (Caius): A H Gosling (Trin H): M K Gotrefes (Newn): T B Bradley (Queens'): C Bradshaw (Peterh): C Brahmbhatt (Girt): G A Brimacombe (Christ's): R E Brown (Trin): S C C Buchanan (Christ's): S C Buck (Trin H): S C Burd (Girt): J Burnside (Girt): E M Calder (Jesus): C L Chalmers (Selw): M D Chapman (Down): A S Charles (New H): P J Clarke (Queens'): F R Cohen (Queens'): A P Collier (Selw): M I Crabtree (Queens'): Cross-Hine (Cath): C H Crowther (Jesus): A A Cudbert (Newn): T. Curtis (Queens'): S Danes (John): P R Daniels (Girt): S L Davis (Sidney): G T Davies (Trin): N H Davis (Girt): M Davis (Trin H): N J Dearnaley (Trin): E de Bellaigue (Caius): N S Dove (Jesus): A R Downes (Christ's): D C Duffy (Selw): D E P Eley (Cav): C R Ellis (Jesus): R J Farries (Down): M Fay (Fitz): N I Fenn (Trin): N J Finnie (Girt): C Flaherty (Chur): K E Flanagan (Clare): H J Frier (Selw): S D W Frost (Trin): I J Furlong (Girt): N M Fussing (Girt): B L Gale (Christ's): A N Garratt (Selw): C E Gaultline (Clare): B R Gibbs (Fitz): C J Gilbert (Emm): T M Gorman (Jesus): S Good (Selw): J R Goodge (Rob): C Goodall (Chur): J N Goodman (Magd): K J B Grainge (Caius): S J R Granleese (Trin): N M Gray (Girt): R G M Green (Chur): N D Grey (Emm): A L Grist (Sidney): D C White (Selw): P A Whiteside (Trin): R I Whelpton (Emm): M Whitehead (John): L J Wilson (Selw): R A Wilson (Clare): N P Wise (Corpus): M J Wokham (Corpus): R Wong (Trin H): I K Woodley (Girt): C Woolley (Fitz): J S J Worrall (Selw): H M Wright (Jesus): T Wright (Pemb): R C Yeman (Caius)

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Class III (Div 2): M Abu Sharar (Pemb): R J Addison (Newn): M R F Aitken (King's): B Alcan (Trin): L Allers (Caius): K J Armstrong (Girt): G A Attridge (Queens'): P J Bacon (Pemb): T B G Bainsforth (Rob): A C Barbrook (Corpus): J M Beecham (Emm): R A Bell (Girt): C L Bevan (Queens'): A E Bhandari (New H): S Bhattacharyya (Cath): M J Black (Christ's): A R Blackburn (Queens'): A E Bowden (Trin H): J M Buchdahl (Trin): A P Burden (Chur): M S Burton (Cath): P A Bussell (Sidney): H L Buxton (New H): M Campbell-Brown (Trin H): I R Hamilton (Chur): J A Carey (Jesus): C Carr (Down): E H Carruthers (Christ's): L C Cass (Trin H): P J Chapman (Trin H): C Clarke (Girt): M G T Cole (Girt): L M Colsby (Girt): S J Colley (Girt): C J Compton (Jesus): N Cooke (Selw): M G Cooper (Rob): N Copeman (Trin): G T Coulson (Selw): C Cowan (Clare): S J Cox (Queens'): T J R Cullis (Girt): S L Davis (Peterh): A L Davies (Christ's): S L Davies (Rob): E J Davis (Newn): A S Dawson (Trin H): M Hanahoy (Trin H): J Dixon (Trin): E E Dix Parkin (Selw): D J Dunstar (Rob): L A Edwards (Trin H): S J Evans (Trin): S G Evans (John): K J Eyre (Clare): C A Ferguson (Jesus): P G Foster (Jesus): C Freeman (Emm): A J Gamble (Clare): A H T Garrett (Fitz): S F Gentleman (Pemb): F E Glasscock (Selw): N J Godfrey (New H): E Goldsmith (Christ's): R E Goldstein (Jesus): M J Goodband (King's): R C Gosden (Caius): A H Gosling (Trin H): M K Gotrefes (Newn): T B Bradley (Queens'): C Bradshaw (Peterh): C Brahmbhatt (Girt): G A Brimacombe (Christ's): R E Brown (Trin): S C C Buchanan (Christ's): S C Buck (Trin H): S C Burd (Girt): J Burnside (Girt): E M Calder (Jesus): C L Chalmers (Selw): M D Chapman (Down): A S Charles (New H): P J Clarke (Queens'): F R Cohen (Queens'): A P Collier (Selw): M I Crabtree (Queens'): Cross-Hine (Cath): C H Crowther (Jesus): A A Cudbert (Newn): T. Curtis (Queens'): S Danes (John): P R Daniels (Girt): S L Davis (Sidney): G T Davies (Trin): N H Davis (Girt): M Davis (Trin H): N J Dearnaley (Trin): E de Bellaigue (Caius): N S Dove (Jesus): A R Downes (Christ's): D C Duffy (Selw): D E P Eley (Cav): C R Ellis (Jesus): R J Farries (Down): M Fay (Fitz): N I Fenn (Trin): N J Finnie (Girt): C Flaherty (Chur): K E Flanagan (Clare): H J Frier (Selw): S D W Frost (Trin): I J Furlong (Girt): N M Fussing (Girt): B L Gale (Christ's): A N Garratt (Selw): C E Gaultline (Clare): B R Gibbs (Fitz): C J Gilbert (Emm): T M Gorman (Jesus): S Good (Selw): J R Goodge (Rob): C Goodall (Chur): J N Goodman (Magd): K J B Grainge (Caius): S J R Granleese (Trin): N M Gray (Girt): R G M Green (Chur): N D Grey (Emm): A L Grist (Sidney): D C White (Selw): P A Whiteside (Trin): R I Whelpton (Emm): M Whitehead (John): L J Wilson (Selw): R A Wilson (Clare): N P Wise (Corpus): M J Wokham (Corpus): R Wong (Trin H): I K Woodley (Girt): C Woolley (Fitz): J S J Worrall (Selw): H M Wright (Jesus): T Wright (Pemb): R C Yeman (Caius)

Economics Tripos
Part II

Class I: L E Shaw (King's): A J Bond (Christ's): O Canning (King's): C S Chan (Christ's): S M Chan (Trin): J P Cornwall (Trin): C Crocker (Queens'): A S Forbes (Selw): P J Crocker (Down): A S Forbes (Down): R J Francis (John): V Gennuso (John): D Gilbert (Trin): A J Lewis (Jesus): N J McCabe (Pemb): K E Mason (Chur): M Nowak (Christ's): V A Nemmaba (Rob): N W Pybus (King's): S C Ramsay (Jesus): W Rosta (Jesus): W A E Wallis (Queens'): D Walton (John): J R Ward (King's)

Class II (Div 1): P J Abram (Queens'): D Adamson (Girt): E J Ainsworth (Fitz): T J Allison (John): A M Arvas (Cath): P J Bacchus (Jesus): J P Bampfylde (Cath): J S Belcher (Pemb): A F Bell (Girt): S Beasley (Trin H): P A Brice (Trin): A Bridge (Caius): A J Burland (Emm): C J Burrows (Newn): J M S Cane (John): D C Cardill (Pemb): S J Chapman (Emm): N J Chapman (Selw): M Chilcott (John): S J Davies (Sidney): M De Bono-Giroe (Trin): G P Friend (Trin): J Gadsden (Fitz): B J F Gates (Fitz): N Gavin (Caius): A J Gibbs (Trin): A S J Girvan (John): J R T Girvan (Clare): K A Gerard (Girt): P Gregson (Queens'): A J Grundy (Fitz): A Hadjimarcou (Christ's): I R Hamilton (King's): D G Hart (Cath): D W Hemmant (Clare): H L Healey (New H): H J P Heyer (Trin): D J Hill (King's): M E R Hill (Emm): *M Hussey (Trin): N C Jackson (Queens'): D J C Johnston (Caius): R Jones (Jesus): V J Jones (Selw): A J Judge (Trin): A Kapungwa (Corpus): N L Kumar (Trin): G C Lancaster (Cath): A L Lawton (Selw): Y-M T Leung (New): S J Levett (Trin): D M Lewis (New): M-S Liew (Clare): C-L Lod (Jesus): C G M H Luff (Down): K A McEvoy (Girt): A M McQuillan (Selw): B M McQuillin (Emm): A N Maunsee (Jesus): N E Marshall (Emm): B A Martindale (Selw): R M Masters (Girt): J G Miller (Sidney): S E Mulcahy (Down): S G Narmouth (Christ's): T H Ng (Chur): S J Nicholson (Chur): D S O'Connor (Cath): S J Oliver (Sidney): S M Page (Trin H): S J Parker (Caius): R Partasarathy (Corpus): J M Wild (Emm): A R Popovic (Emm): A Puri (Magd): S Rafa (Jesus): N Ralph (Fitz): S Ramgoolam (Emm): M A Rand (John): R J H Rees (Jesus): D W Rogers (Jesus): A Rosiell (John): J R Samani (John): T A J Sefton (Corpus): K V Segal (Jesus): A A Shah (Pemb): R N Shah (Cath): S Shah (Caius): S Shah (John): A Sidon (John): J E Sippel (Trin H): M C Smith (Pemb): M J Speers (King's): D J S Spencer (Caius): D W Street (Jesus): H J Stefaricki (Trin): M Stevens (Pet): E V Tapia (John): R R Turrall (Chur): S Vahabzadeh (Queens'): P S Waldron (Trin H): B J L Williamson (Pemb): R J Willis (Girt): S J Wilmott (Corpus): C J Wright (Sidney): J Wyatt (Caius): J B W Wong (Selw): A J Wood (Newn): S K Woodhouse (Cath): C S Yap (Emm)

Class II (Div 2): I R Attinger (Girt): W Armstrong (Girt): C Ashton (John): I R Batty (Jesus): T G Boucher (Down): S Brady (Chur): J S Chubel (Caius): V Y Chan (Emm): A Cowell (Girt): S J Daniels (Trin H): C B Denham (Magd): M A Echenique (Magd): P S A Edwards (Trin): P E El Khoury (Trin H): P J English (John): L Fabbri (Sidney): C Gowland (Sidney): J P Grundy (Jesus): C D Gunter (Magd): N P Hallett (Clare): S J Hamilton (Queens'): R Hill (Rob): M James (Sidney): E J Layland (Fitz): R J Lewis (Jesus): N S Lindstrom (Caius): M A Lloyd (Trin H): A S Osmond (Trin H): C N Lowe (Emm): H A Reeves (Cath): D Scowcroft (Fitz): S J Taylor (Cath): S M Taylor (Clare): J G Wallace (Trin H): M Wilkinson (Rob)

Class III: D M Chiu (Pemb): A T Daniels (Fitz): J W Green (Emm): R J Pool-Jones (Magd)

Engineering
(Part 1A)

Class I: D F J Allwright (Down): C Armstrong (Chur): M N Armstrong (Girt): R Barnes (Rob): A C Barnett (Christ's): R J Bainbridge (Clare): F J Clarke (Emm): J R Collington (Chur): D E Davies (Girt): E Dicsel (Selw): D N Ellis (Queens'): T J Evans (Newn): J J George (Christ's): N S J Greenway (Trin H): N Hadjiconstantinou (Rob): E T Hall (Emm): J Hancock (Sidney): S Harrison (Selw): P M Hancock (Rob): A Hayward (John): A R Huggett (King's): S M Hung (Down): P J Hyslett (Queens'): M Jones (Girt): G N Kennedy (Trin): W E Keown (Emm): E D Lakin (Sidney): T T Lee (Queens'): N J Lettington (Chur): M C D Lew

Satin Flower can bloom again

PAT Eddery looks set to profit from Steve Cauthen's inability to ride at 8st 6lb by winning the group two Child Stakes on Satin Flower at Newmarket today.

If the American jockey feels miffed at not being allowed to put up a pound or two overweight on Sheikh Mohammed's good filly, it is understandable since he got down to 8st 7lb to ride her in the Jersey Stakes at Royal Ascot, a race which they eventually turned into a procession, winning by six lengths.

Judged on that performance Satin Flower would appear to have sufficient in hand today to afford the luxury of Cauthen in the saddle. As it is, Eddery should now enjoy an armchair ride on what is clearly a talented equine athlete. At Ascot, Trojan Crown and Zigaura were just over ten lengths behind Satin Flower in fifth and sixth place respectively. It is hard to envisage either of them turning the tables although Trojan Crown is now 5lb better off.

Earlier in the season Trojan Crown had finished ahead of Crystal Path, another of today's runners, when they were both just held at bay by Pilsiz at Sandown. Crystal Path has since been outstayed by Azzaam over ten furlongs at Kempton.

On the corresponding occasion 12 months ago Only Yours won the race for two-year-old fillies by beating the smart Imperfect Circle.

Later in the season she also won the Lowther Stakes at York. This year her best performance has been that

MANDARIN

MICHAEL PHILLIPS

fifth behind Shadayid in the 1,000 Guineas on the Rowley Mile course in May when she was beaten a fraction under four lengths. While a repetition would see her pose a threat today, it has to be said that she has not attained that standard in her three subsequent races.

So for Eddery Satin Flower is napped to become the first leg of a double to be completed by **Brecon Beacons** making a winning debut in the Frith Centenary Maiden Fillies' Stakes.

Not to be outdone, Tony Cruz can also land a two-timer by winning on **Capriati** (2.35) and **Made Of Gold** (3.40).

Capriati, my selection for the More O'Ferrall Plc Stakes and an appropriate one so soon after Wimbledon, made a highly promising start to her racing career at Yarmouth two weeks ago when she ran Eclipsing to a head. Now she looks capable of going one better.

Made Of Gold, my choice for the Anglia Television July Stakes, was well backed to make a winning debut at Ripon and he duly did so without even breaking into a sweat.

While I concede that beating the disappointing Primus easily may not have constituted a stern test, it was still a performance brimful with promise. I prefer him to his three rivals who finished fourth, fifth and seventh in the Coventry Stakes at Ascot.

Friedland, my selection for the H E Limited Duke Of Cambridge Handicap, would have been a leading fancy for the King George V Handicap at Royal Ascot, but was withdrawn on the morning of the race. Now I am led to believe that he is ready to make up for lost time.

He is just preferred to Laxmi, who was not disgraced when beaten by Starlight Flyer at Sandown last time in view of the way that his conqueror went on to score over the same course and distance last Saturday. Being by Lyphard's Wish out of a mare by Vaguely Noble, Laxmi should be better suited by today's longer trip.

As far as the Reg Day Memorial Trophy is concerned, none appeals more than Barry Hills's progressive stayer **Million Miles**.

MANDARIN
2.00 Misunderstanding.
2.35 Capriati.
3.10 SATIN FLOWER (nap).
3.40 Made Of Gold.
4.10 Friedland.
4.45 Brecon Beacons.
5.15 Million Miles.

THUNDERER
2.00 Gone Bust.
2.35 Capriati.
3.10 Satin Flower.
3.40 SHOWBROOK (nap).
4.10 Friedland.
4.45 Harvest Girl.
5.15 Million Miles.

MICHAEL SEELY
2.35 Capriati.
3.10 Satin Flower.
4.10 FRIEDLAND (nap).

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 2.35 Capriati. 3.10 SATIN FLOWER (nap). 4.10 Friedland.

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 3.10 SATIN FLOWER.

GOING: GOOD — DRAW: NO ADVANTAGE — SIS

2.00 ELLESMERE SELLING STAKES (2-Y-O: £5,944: 7f) (14 runners)

101	(1)			SHALOU (K Gomm) P Cole 9-7	T Quinn	—
102	(12)	043	CAPTAIN KEN 7 (J. Bull) M Tompkins 8-13		R Cochrane	88
103	(10)	6544	FLYING QUEST 12 (Mrs G Boss) R Boss 8-13		M Roberts	84
104	(7)	51	GANESHAYA 23 (G) (E Reliat) J Akehurst 8-13		G Carter	86
105	(11)	420	GONE BUST 25 (Miss I McMillan) R Johnson Houghton 8-9		A Munro	92
106	(4)	401	PALACEGATE GOLD 8 (F) (Palacegate Corporation) J Berry 8-9		J Carroll	91
107	(3)	0560	MISS PIN UP 7 (E Baldwin) Pat Mitchell 8-6		Ron Hillis (3)	84
108	(13)	03	ROSE GEM 11 (N Forman Hardy) A Scott 8-6		B Raymond	99
109	(2)	000	BROUGHTON'S TANGO 23 (Broughton Insulation) W Musson 9-5		M Wigham	73
110	(6)	303	MISUNDERSTANDING 11 (D Thompson) Mrs J Reineden 8-5		Dean McKeown	97
111	(14)	5342	NOSEEM 6 (BF) (K Al-Said) N Callaghan 8-5		Pat Eddery	90
112	(8)	8	TANEY COMO 26 (R Meadows) W O'Gorman 8-5		Emma O'Gorman (5)	—
113	(9)	000	EAU D'ESPOIR 13 (Group 1 Racing Ltd) J Spearing 8-0		A Mackay	—
114	(5)		LOOSE SPIRIT (A Pitter) P Haslam 8-0		Nicola Howarth (7)	—

BETTING: 3-1 Rose Gem, 9-2 Ganeshaya, Misunderstanding, 13-2 Shalou, 8-1 Taney Como, 10-1 Palacegate Gold, 12-1 Noseem, Gone Bust, 14-1 Flying Quest, 16-1 others.

1990: ELIZA WOODING 9-2 L Dettori (9-2) P Kelleway 10 ran

FORM FOCUS

CAPTAIN KEN 5l 3rd to Titch Wizard at Warwick (6f, good) with MISS PIN UP 4½l 7th. FLYING QUEST 4½l 4th to Wilde Rufo here (6f, good) on penultimate start.
GANESHAYA beat Alive And Kicking a nk at Windsor (6f, good) with BROUGHTON'S TANGO 10l 9th. GONE BUST 3l 2nd to Affair Of State at Newbury (5f, soft). PALACEGATE GOLD beat Central Queen a sh hd at Catterick (6f, good to firm). ROSE GEM 1l 3rd to Venturina at Doncaster (6f, good to firm). MISUNDERSTANDING 6l 3rd to Man Of The Moment at Newcastle (6f, good to firm). NOSEEM 2l 2nd to Nectax at Yarmouth (6f 3yd, good). SHALOU (foaled Feb 21, cost 16,500gns) by smart sprinter Forzando out of a multiple 5f winner. LOOSE SPIRIT (Feb 26) by Mummy's Game out of an unplaced mare; half-sister to 5f winner Fourelagh.
Selection: GANESHAYA

2.35 MORE O'FERRALL PLC STAKES (3-Y-O: £5,744: 1m 2f) (8 runners) — C4

201	(6)	220-220	MAGNATE'S CROWN 18 (The Driver) P Haslam 9-0		W R Swinburn	91
202	(3)	055-22	TREBLY 97 (L. Gauci) C Britain 8-11		A Munro	87
203	(5)		AL THERAAB (Hamdan Al-Maktoum) A Stewart 8-9		M Roberts	—
204	(4)	2	CAPRIATI 15 (C St George) H Cecil 8-9		A Cruz	99
205	(8)	42	HYABELLA 11 (Helena Springfield Ltd) M Stoute 8-9		Pat Eddery	90
206	(7)		NIBBS POINT (Lady Halifax) L Cumani 8-9		L Dettori	—
207	(2)	03	SHINE ON BRIGHTLY 12 (C Wright) J Toller 8-6		W Newnes	86
208	(1)		SOBRANIE (B Farr) A Stewart 8-9		R Hills	—

BETTING: 13-8 Capriati, 11-4 Al Theraab, 5-1 Hyabella, 8-1 Nibbs Point, 9-1 Sobranie, 10-1 Shine On Brightly, 20-1 Trebly, 25-1 Magnate's Crown.

1990: IJTIHAAD 9-0 W Carson (13-8 fav) W Hern 6 ran

FORM FOCUS

MAGNATE'S CROWN 1½l 2nd to Something Quick at Kempton (1m, good to soft) on penultimate start. TREBLY 7l 2nd to River Island at Brighton (1m 2f, soft). AL THERAAB by Roberto, half-sister to minor winners in North America. CAPRIATI hd 2nd to Eclipsing at Yarmouth (1m 3yd, good). HYABELLA, half-sister to Stagecraft, 2½l 2nd to Mashaallah at Doncaster (1m 2f 50yd, good to firm). NIBBS POINT by Sure Blade, half-sister to fair middle-distance handicapper Prince Ibrahim. SHINE ON BRIGHTLY 3¼l 3rd to Adjacent at Bath (1f, 2f 46yd) good). SOBRANIE by High Top out of a 2m 2f winner, half-sister to 1m 3f-1m 5f winner Nikatino.
Selection: CAPRIATI

3.10 CHILD STAKES (Group II: fillies: £42,534: 1m) (6 runners) — C4

301	(1)	13-2122	CRYSTAL PATH 14 (B,BF,C,D,F,G) (Equite Fustok) M Moubarak 8-6		A Cruz	84
302	(3)	31-20	MIRANDA JAY 66 (F) (Crescent (UK) Ltd) M Jarvis 8-6		B Raymond	77
303	(4)	5-55050	ONLY YOURS 11 (C,F) (Mrs M Butcher) R Hannon 8-6		M Roberts	92
304	(6)	1121	SATIN FLOWER 21 (D,G) (Shaikh Mohammed) J Gosden 8-6		Pat Eddery	99
305	(2)	135-435	TROJAN CROWN 21 (C,F) (E Loder) G Wragg 8-6		G Carter	83
306	(5)	46-2016	ZIGAURA 21 (F) (Mrs J Ohlsson) D Elsworth 8-6		W Carson	86

BETTING: 8-13 Satin Flower, 6-1 Crystal Path, 8-1 Miranda Jay, 10-1 Ziguara, 12-1 Only Yours, Trojan Crown.

1990: CHIMES OF FREEDOM 8-12 S Cauthen (4-6 fav) H Cecil 5 ran

FORM FOCUS

CRYSTAL PATH 3l 2nd to Azzaam at Kempton (1m 2f, heavy); previously nk 2nd to Pilsiz at Sandown (1m, good) with TROJAN CROWN (3lb better off) hd 3rd. ONLY YOURS 5½l 8th to La Grange Music here (7f, good); earlier 4l 5th to Shadayid in 1,000 Guineas here (good) with ZIGAURA 10l 7th and MIRANDA JAY 14th. SATIN FLOWER beat Dawson Place 6l at Royal Ascot (7f, good) with TROJAN CROWN (4lb better off) 4½l 5th and ZIGAURA a nk 6th.
Selection: SATIN FLOWER

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS	Winners	Runners	Per cent	JOCKEYS	Winners	Rides	Per cent
H Cecil	69	310	22.3	S Cauthen	82	427	19.2
M Stoute	50	256	19.5	W Carson	74	460	16.1
L Cumani	49	288	17.0	R Cochrane	54	396	13.6
Mrs J Reineden	4	25	16.0	M Hills	34	267	12.7
J Gosden	9	57	15.8	Pat Eddery	58	462	12.6
A Scott	10	79	12.7	W R Swinburn	48	381	12.6

(Not including yesterday's results)

KEMPTON PARK

MANDARIN
6.30 Mertola's Pet.
7.00 Show The Flag.
7.30 Loki.
8.00 City Solace.
8.30 Wasaif.
9.00 Swallowcliffe.

THUNDERER
6.30 Gallant Hope.
7.00 Statia.
7.30 Bold Habit.
8.00 Elaine Tully.
8.30 Wasaif.
9.00 Severine.

GOING: GOOD — DRAW: 5F-6F, HIGH NUMBERS BEST

6.30 U S M HANDICAP (£3,015: 5f) (7 runners)

1	(2)	650-512	MERTOLA'S PET 29 (D,F) (Capt. J George) L Cottrell 5-10-0		G Husband (5)	91
2	(3)	040100	SKI CAPTAIN 23 (D,F,G,S) (B Dickson) P Howling 7-9-6		W Newnes	93
3	(6)	408265	GALLANT HOPE 7 (B,D,BF,F,G) (Mrs N Duffield) B Millman 9-9-5		N Carlisle	99
4	(4)	446332	FRIMLEY PARKSON 4 (D,F,G) (P Terry) P Howling 7-9-0		J Williams	97
5	(5)	660400	PENDOR DANCER 11 (B,CD,BF,F,G) (Sherwoods Ltd) W Carter 8-8-13		T Williams	98
6	(1)	345020	SHADES OF JADE 12 (W Wood) J Bridger 3-8-10		N Adams	93
7	(7)	525315	ALWAYS READY 9 (B,D,G,S) (G Steinberg) J Balding 5-7-13		A McGlone	90

BETTING: 3-1 Frimley Parkson, 4-1 Mertola's Pet, 9-2 Gallant Hope, 5-1 Always Ready, 7-1 Pendor Dancer, 8-1 Ski Captain, 10-1 Shades Of Jade.

1990: PENDOR DANCER 7-8-11 B Marcus (6-1) W Carter 9 ran

7.00 FUTURES AND OPTIONS MAIDEN STAKES (3-Y-O: £2,929: 1m 4f) (7 runners)

1	(4)	0-	HARD TO SNUB 256 (M Madgwick) M Madgwick 9-0	N Adams	—
2	(3)		MASTER FOODBROKER (Food Brokers Ltd) D Elsworth 9-0	J Williams	—
3	(2)		SHAO LIN (C Budgett) A Stewart 9-0	M Roberts	—
4	(7)	502	SHOW THE FLAG 18 (Mrs G Pase) J Bethell 9-0	L Dettori	99
5	(6)	42-	HIGH SAVANNAH 258 (Mrs M Taylor) M Jarvis 8-9	G Crealock	95
6	(1)	0	MINARET 44 (Lord Derby) G Pritchard-Gordon 8-9	A McGlone	—
7	(5)	05	STATIA 12 (Mrs E Longton) R Charlton 8-9	S Raymont	86

BETTING: 9-4 Show The Flag, 11-4 Statia, 4-1 High Savannah, 8-1 Shao Lin, 10-1 Minaret, 12-1 Master Foodbroker, 25-1 Hard To Snub.

1990: MATADOR 9-0 Pat Eddery (5-4 fav) R Charlton 4 ran

7.30 WEBSTER'S YORKSHIRE BITTER HANDICAP (£3,626: 1m) (12 runners)

1	(3)	5-25400	WELL FURNISHED 25 (CD,F,G) (P Alla) A Scott 4-10-6		B Raymond	97
2	(6)	004080-	WESTERN WOLF 174J (D,F,S) (R Allen) W Carter 8-9-7		J Reid	89
3	(1)	3351-01	BOLD HABIT 61 (D,F,G) (JSS Mailing Services Ltd) W Pearce 6-9-7		G Husband (5)	91
4	(9)	200-302	MANGO MANILA 14 (BF,G) (R Del Rosario) C Horgan 8-8-4		A Munro	86
5	(2)	1-30000	LOKI 19 (F) (T Laidlaw) G Lewis 3-8-1		Paul Eddery	95
6	(7)	2-54212	SOMETHING QUICK 12 (CD,BF,G) (Mrs B Burchett) R Hannon 3-8-13		W Carson	85
7	(5)	663009	KEEP YOUR WORD 13 (C,D,BF,G) G Balding 5-8-11		Tracey Purseglove (7)	93
8	(11)	145241	ON Y VA 14 (C,S) (T Hamelt) R Williams 4-8-10		L Dettori	97
9	(8)	050410	SOLOMONS NEPHEW 27 (F) (B White) J Scargill 4-8-9		J Williams	89
10	(4)	0403-60	JOIE DE ROSE 13 (D,F,S) (A Allkin) M Blanshard 6-8-6		M Roberts	88
11	(12)	506320	ROYAL DARTMOUTH 25 (D,F,S) (Axminster Carpets Ltd) B Millman 6-8-2		R Price (5)	90
12	(10)	506220	SERGEANT MERYLL 2 (D,G,S) (Mrs J Irving) P Howling 7-7-7		N Adams	89

Long handicap: Sergeant Meryll 7-5.

BETTING: 9-2 Something Quick, 5-1 Bold Habit, 6-1 On Y Va, Sergeant Meryll, 7-1 Loki, 8-1 Mango Manila, 10-1 Royal Dartmouth, Well Furnished, 12-1 Keep Your Word, 16-1 others.

1990: ABSONAL 3-8-13 R Cochrane (5-2 fav) R Hannon 11 ran

108 (12) 0-0432 GOOD TIMES 74 (CD,BF,F,G,S) (Mrs D Robinson) B Hall 9-10-0 — B West (4) 86

Recard number. Draw in brackets. 5lb-figure form (F — fell. P — pulled up. U — unseated rider. B — brought down. S — slipped up. R — refused. D — disqualified). Horse's name. Days since last outing; J if jumps. F if flat. (B — blinkers. V — visor. H — hood. E — Eyeshield. C — course winner. D — distance winner. CD — course and distance winner. BF — beaten favourite in latest race). Going on which horse has won (F — firm, good to firm, hard. G — good. S — soft, good to soft, heavy). Owner in brackets. Trainer. Age and weight. Rider plus any allowance. The Times Private Handicapper's rating.

3.40 ANGLIA TELEVISION JULY STAKES (Group III: 2-Y-O colts & geldings: £20,979: 6f) (4 runners) — C4

401	(3)	41284	COMPUTER KID 22 (B,F) (S Berardelli) G Moore 8-10		A Munro	93
402	(2)	1	MADE OF GOLD 20 (D,S) (Ecurie Fustok) M Moubarak 8-10		A Cruz	93
403	(4)	215	SHOWBROOK 22 (D,F) (A Budge (Equine) Ltd) R Hannon 8-10		B Raymond	99
404	(1)	310	WILDE RUFO 22 (CD,G) (G Mezza) P Kelleway 8-10		M Roberts	84

BETTING: 11-8 Made Of Gold, 9-4 Showbrook, 3-1 Computer Kid, 9-2 Wilde Rufo.

1990: MUJTAHID 8-10 W Carson (2-1) R Armstrong 4 ran

FORM FOCUS

COMPUTER KID 8l 4th to Dilum at Royal Ascot (6f, good) with SHOWBROOK 3l 5th and WILDE RUFO 2l 7th; previously 5l 3rd to Storm Melody at Beverley (5f, good to firm); earlier 2½l 2nd to Diamond Mine at Newcastle (6f, good to firm).
MADE OF GOLD beat Primus 5l at Ripon (6f, soft).
SHOWBROOK beat Diamond Mine (gave 5lb) at Epsom (6f, good to firm) on penultimate start; previously a sh hd 2nd to Fair Cop at Goodwood (6f, good). WILDE RUFO beat Bassio 2l here (6f, good) on penultimate start.
Selection: SHOWBROOK

4.10 HE LIMITED DUKE OF CAMBRIDGE HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £14,750: 1m 2f) (10 runners) — C4

501	(7)	114-	AIMAAM 299 (F) (Hamdan Al-Maktoum) J Dunlop 9-7		W Carson	80
502	(4)	13-2050	SILVER BRAID 21 (G) (L. Ward) D Elsworth 8-8		S Cauthen	99
503	(2)	25-310	TROUPE 19 (G) (R Sangster) B Hills 8-4		Pat Eddery	93
504	(6)	10-0	STEERFORTH 19 (F) (F Nestad) A Stewart 8-2		M Roberts	80
505	(10)	1-03014	DANZARIN 16 (C,F) (Mrs J Regler) R Hannon 8-0		G Duffield	96
506	(9)	0-314	FRIEDLAND 33 (D,S) (Sheikh Mohammed) H Cecil 7-11		A McGlone	94
507	(3)	416-045	VENUS OBSERVED 32 (F) (Mrs C Grose) H Candy 7-11		C Rutter	84
508	(5)	052121	MASAI MARA 16 (D,F,G) (S Dinamore) P Haslam 7-9		J Fanning (5)	92
509	(8)	55-32	LAXMI 25 (BF) (Mrs I Phillips) M Stoute 7-9		J Lowe	90
510	(1)	410-461	HAJAIM 14 (F,S) (S Maxiana) C Britain 7-7		Dale Gibson	85

Long handicap: Hajaim 7-3.

BETTING: 3-1 Friedland, 4-1 Troupe, 6-1 Silver Braid, 8-1 Steerforth, Aimaam, 10-1 Danzarin, Laxmi, Masai Mara, 12-1 Hajaim, Venus Observed.

1990: RED TOTO 9-5 M Roberts (11-2 fav) A Stewart 13 ran

FORM FOCUS

AIMAAM 11½l 4th to Selkirk at Goodwood (1m, good to firm); previously beat Brecon Isle 2 ½l at York (7f, good to firm). SILVER BRAID 17l 6th to Kooyonga in Coronation Stakes (1m, good) at Royal Ascot.
TROUPE 11l 9th to Ajaad at Royal Ascot (1m, good to firm) with STEERFORTH (2lb better off) 7l 15th. DANZARIN 3 ½l 4th to Hidden Cove at Ascot (1m 2f, good to firm); previously beat Self Expression nk at Sandown (1m 1f, good to firm). FRIEDLAND 11½l 4th to Stop Press at Epsom (1m 2f 18yd, good) with DANZARIN (3lb worse off) 10½l 6th; previously beat Touch In Flight 5l at Nottingham (1m 2f, good to soft). VENUS OBSERVED 7l 5th to Caroles Express at Epsom (7f, good). MASAI MARA beat Fen Princess ½l at Nottingham (1m 2f, good). LAXMI 1½l 2nd to Starlight Flyer at Sandown (1m, good). HAJAIM beat Worldbeta a nk at Chester (7f 22yd, soft).
Selection: FRIEDLAND

4.45 FRITH CENTENARY MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES (2-Y-O: £4,889: 6f) (7 runners)

601	(5)		ALIGHT (Miss R Farr) A Stewart 8-11		M Roberts	—
602	(7)		BRECON BEACONS (K Abdulla) R Charlton 8-11		Pat Eddery	—
603	(2)	2	HARVEST GIRL 14 (G Pritchard-Gordon) G Pritchard-Gordon 8-11		S Whitworth	90
604	(6)		MILLADOR (Lady Nelson of Stafford) M Tompkins 8-11		R Hills	—
605	(3)	443	SARATOGA STAR 28 (L. Gauci) C Britain 8-11		L Dettori	97
606	(1)	5	SPECIAL GALLERY 44 (P Mario) J Eustace 8-11		A McGlone	99
607	(4)		SUPER SARENA (Sarena Plastics) D Elsworth 8-11		S Cauthen	—

BETTING: 5-4 Brecon Beacons, 9-2 Special Gallery, 5-1 Super Sarena, 7-1 Saratoga Star, Alight, 8-1 Harvest Girl, 16-1 Milador.

1990: ONLY YOURS 8-11 W Carson (15-8) R Hannon 6 ran

FORM FOCUS

ALIGHT (foaled Mar 23, cost 38,000 gns) by Alzao, half-sister to fair sprint handicapper Wanda. BRECON BEACONS (Feb 3) by Shirley Heights, half-sister to French middle-distance winning colt Ordinance.
HARVEST GIRL 6l 2nd to Regal Scintilla at Salisbury (5f, good to soft). MILLADOR (Apr 17, 3,500 gns) by Glint Of Gold, half-sister to winning sprinter Lallapalooza. SARATOGA STAR 4½l 3rd to Coffee Ice at Newbury (5f, 43yd, good); previously 2¼l 4th to Solar Star at Kempton (5f, good to firm). SPECIAL GALLERY 3l 3rd to Last Exit at Leicester (6f, good). SUPER SARENA (Mar 8, IR30,000gns) by sprinter Tautan out of an unraced mare.
Selection: SARATOGA STAR.

5.15 REG DAY MEMORIAL TROPHY (Handicap: £5,536: 2m 24yd) (6 runners)

1	(1)	10211-0	KALMADENE 77 (F,G) (Mrs A Kidd) P Cole 4-10-0		T Quinn	92
2	(2)	63-5025	HAITHAM 4 (F) (N Barnes) R Akehurst 4-9-9		W R Swinburn	95
3	(5)	63-3511	MILLION MILES 33 (D,F,G) (J Bradley) B Hills 3-8-13		M Hills	90
4	(6)	03-163	GOLDLINE SEEKER 44 (F) (J Sung) M Jarvis 3-8-5		Paul Eddery	93
5	(3)	331111	DANCE PARTOUT 9 (F,G,S) (W Said) N Callaghan 3-8-0 (4ex)		W Carson	99
6	(4)	024282	RAINBOW TRUST 5 (M Pinto) A Scott 3-7-10		Dale Gibson	98

BETTING: 15-8 Million Miles, 5-2 Haitham, 11-4 Dance Partout, 11-2 Rainbow Trust, 9-1 Kalmadene, 10-1 Goldline Seeker.

1990: LUCKY MOON 3-7-13 W Carson (13-8 fav) J Dunlop 6 ran

FORM FOCUS

KALMADENE 22l 15th to Army Of Stars at Kempton (1m 4f, good to firm) in April; all out to beat Barrish 2l over that same course and distance (good) on final start last season.
HAITHAM 8l 5th to Majestic Image at Sandown (2m, good) on Saturday; previously 11½l 2nd to Cabaschon at Royal Ascot (2m 4f, good). MILLION MILES all out to beat Moving Out ½l at Haydock (2m 35yd, good); previously beat Romany Rye ½l at Doncaster (1m 6f 127yd, firm) with RAINBOW TRUST (17lb better off) 12½l 4th. GOLDLINE SEEKER 3l 3rd to Cruise Party at Chepstow (1m 4f, good to firm). DANCE PARTOUT beat Mind The Step a sh hd (1m 3f, 50yd, good).
Selection: DANCE PARTOUT (nap)

8.00 ECONOMIST HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £5,312: 1m 2f) (7 runners)

1	(6)	0-41	WILD AND LOOSE 29 (G) (R Richards) D Elsworth 9-7		J Williams	98
2	(5)	503322	CITY SOLACE 14 (F) (D Caruth) R Hannon 9-5		R Perham (5)	95
3	(1)	56-30	MOON FESTIVAL 27 (Duchess of Norfolk) Lady Herries 9-2		J Reid	92
4	(4)	415	ELAINE TULLY 18 (C,G) (Mrs A Cappuccini) I Balding 9-0		Paul Eddery	98
5	(2)	003	MAFATIH 44 (H Al-Maktoum) P Walwyn 8-13		W Carson	87
6	(3)	50-8000	CHATHAM ISLAND 20 (Exors of the late Mr G Hughes) C Britain 8-4		M Roberts	99
7	(7)	251508	QUIETLY IMPRESSIVE 14 (BF,G) (C Wates) M Bell 8-1		J Quinn	95

BETTING: 5-2 Wild And Loose, 7-2 Chatham Island, 5-1 City Solace, Elaine Tully, 8-1 Mafatih, Quietly Impressive, 10-1 Moon Festival.

1990: PRINCE HANNIBAL 9-0 R Cochrane (6-1) J Dunlop 10 ran

8.30 GRE PROPERTIES MAIDEN STAKES (3-Y-O fillies: £2,782: 1m) (13 runners)

1	(2)	00-0	BIRD OF PEACE 14 (F Goulandris) D Laing 8-11		W Newnes	91
2	(6)	0	DARRAH 99 (M Al Maktoum) M Stoute 8-11		B Raymond	—
3	(13)		HELLEBORUS (K Butler) P Mitchell 8-11		J Williams	—
4	(9)	0	LOGARITHM 29 (Avon Industries Ltd) P Makin 8-11		A Munro	—
5	(3)	40	MAJESTIC MELODY 12 (G Antill) W Carter 8-11		T Williams	90
6	(5)	6-4	MIRROR'S IMAGE 9 (Mrs A Scott-Harden) G Pritchard-Gordon 8-11		W Hood	88
7	(1)	3630-60	SHOT STOPPER 13 (P Shilton) R Hannon 8-11		R Perham (5)	99
8	(7)	44-5	THUNDER BUG 6 (M Salem) B Hanbury 8-11		Paul Eddery	89
9	(4)		TOOWHIT TOWHEE (Gulting Stud Ltd) J Gosden 8-11		G Hind	—
10	(8)	600	TUDOREALM 33 (L Ward) D Elsworth 8-11		T Quinn	90
11	(11)	4	WASAIF 15 (B Menana) L Cumani 8-11		L Dettori	97
12	(12)		WATERMILL GIRL (T Jennings) D Thom 8-11		J Quinn	—
13	(10)		ZANDORA (G Wright) C Britain 8-11		M Roberts	—

BETTING: 11-8 Wasaif, 9-2 Thunder Bug, 5-1 Datrah, 7-1 Toowhit Towhee, 10-1 Mirror's Image, 12-1 others.

1990: BURAN 8-11 S Cauthen (6-1) J Fanshawe 12 ran

9.00 CITY OF LONDON FARRIERS MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O fillies: £2,679: 6f) (12 runners)

1	(11)	05	ALWAYS A PRINCESS 25 (G Steinberg) L Holt 8-11		A McGlone	99
2	(10)	00	BARJUDIAL 9 (Heath-End Racing Syndicate) J Bridger 8-11		J Williams	—
3	(12)	0	BELLS OF LONGWICK 11 (Mrs M Wickham) D Laing 8-11		S Whitworth	—
4	(8)	0	CASUAL FLING 29 (C Wright) D Laing 8-11		T Williams	—
5	(6)	0	DON'T SMILE 29 (B Schmidt-Bodmer) M Tompkins 8-11		C Hodgson (5)	—
6	(4)		EARLY BLOOM (A Fourstok) R Boss 8-11		L Dettori	—
7	(2)		HARMONIOUS (The Queen) I Balding 8-11		J Reid	—
8	(9)	0	MILAGRO 29 (Mrs D Hammerson) R Hannon 8-11		R Perham (5)	97
9	(5)	55	NIGHTSLIP 6 (Crescent (UK) Ltd) R Smyth 8-11		T Quinn	92
10	(1)		SEVERINE (Miss K Rausing) J Dunlop 8-11		W Carson	—
11	(7)		SHELBY (L Gauci) C Britain 8-11		M Roberts	—
12	(3)	0	SWALLOWCLIFFE 14 (Mrs R Kennard) P Walwyn 8-11		A Munro	98

BETTING: 11-4 Harmonious, 7-2 Severine, 9-2 Swallowcliffe, 11-2 Shelby, 8-1 Milagro, 10-1 Always A Princess, Nightslip, 12-1 others.

1990: MOONFLUTE 8-11 S Cauthen (10-1) I Balding 14 ran

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS	Winners	Runners	Per cent	JOCKEYS	Winners	Rides	Per cent
M Stoute	19	71	26.8	A Munro	12	60	20.0
A Scott	8	31	25.8	W Carson	29	203	14.3
R Charlton	4	17	23.5	M Roberts	17	135	12.6
L Cumani	10	46	21.7				
B Hanbury	7	33	18.4				
J Gosden	7	41	17.1				

(Only qualifiers)

BATH

MANDARIN
2.15 Bronze Runner. 2.45 Photo Realism. 3.20 Lapiaffe. 3.55 Tango Time. 4.25 Red Sister. 5.00 Strat's Legacy.

THUNDERER
2.15 Bronze Runner. 2.45 Photo Realism. 3.20 Sandford Springs. 3.55 Greetland Rock. 4.25 Red Sister. 5.00 Strat's Legacy.

GOING: GOOD TO FIRM — SIS
DRAW: 5F-1M 8YD, LOW NUMBERS BEST

2.15 SALTFORD APPRENTICE HANDICAP (£2,616: 1m 2f 50yd) (13 runners)

1	5-00		HILLS OF HOY 18 K Bailey 5-9-10		C Munday 3	
2	00-0		WILLESDON 14 A Barrow 7-9-2		J Hunter 1	
3	0005		WESTERN LOCH 6 (D,F) R Hodges 4-8-10		S Drowne 7	
4	6064		PRICELESS FANTASY 15 (F) I Wardle 4-8-10		— 12	
5	5-00		FLOWER MELODY 12 H Candy 3-8-9 Georgina Frost (3)		4	
6	2-04		BRONZE RUNNER 25 (B,D,F,G) E Wheeler 7-8-4		B Thomas 10	
7	6-00		COMIC RELIEF 47 B Morgan 4-8-2		S Sanders 11	
8	-000		MISTRAL GIRL 25 (BF) R Hannon 3-8-2		D Gibbs 13	
9	-606		VALTAKI 11 (G) G Ham 6-8-1		M Gosselin 2	
10	4056		CHARMING REPLY 11 M Usher 3-7-12		A Garth 5	
11	0-50		ONEMINEFIVE 25 (G) G Ham 5-7-10		Mark Denaro 9	
12	000		RECOLLECT 11 (F) Miss J Thorne 8-7-9		Marie Flowright (3) 8	
13	0-00		MIDNIGHT JESTOR 29 R Holder 3-7-7		W Humphries (3) 5	

4-1 Western Loch, 5-1 Bronze Runner, 6-1 Priceless Fantasy, Charming Reply, 8-1 Flower Melody, Valtaki, 10-1 others.

2.45 EBF EVERSHOT MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O: £2,856: 5f 187yd) (7)

1		00	COPY LANE 14 M Channon 9-0	J Williams	2
2			CORINTHIAN GOD P Harris 9-0	J Fortune	1
3		0	A NYMPH TOO FAR 13 J Scargill 8-9	B Crossley	6
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GOLF

Faldo hopes a new putter will help diffuse the pressure

By MITCHELL PLATTS
GOLF CORRESPONDENT

NICK Faldo yesterday spoke of the enormous pressure of being a champion, little more than one week before he launches his defence of the Open at Royal Birkdale.

Faldo, speaking on the eve of the Bell's Scottish Open which begins on the King's course at the Gleneagles Hotel today, said it had been imperative for him to win the Irish Open last month after a modest start to the year.

"The Rottweilers were out snapping at my heels at the very sniff of a slump," Faldo said. "That's the way it is, but you need to do something to shake them off. That something is winning.

"But if I had lost the Irish Open after being three ahead then all hell would have broken loose. There was a lot of pressure on me; the pressure that comes with losing. I was able to let my clubs speak for me, which is the way I like it to be.

"Then again, sometimes the game doesn't want to go for you. This year has been tough on and off the course. I had the flu, I cut my thumb and I hadn't won before Ireland. On top of that there was the burglary at our new home." Faldo omitted to add that to remain at the top of his profession he continually pushes himself to the limit to keep his swing finely honed.

He is so consumed by the game that he has built a team of people around him to cater for every eventuality. Paul Ankers, a sports injury expert, has tended to the stress fractures of the wrist which compelled Faldo to take time out last year after his wins in the Masters and the Open.

Faldo, however, will make one change. He is experimenting with a new putter, a Ping B60, which is heavier and more lofted than the one he has been using. "I am concentrating on making a shorter, more aggressive putting stroke," Faldo said. "I hope with this one it will stop the ball bobbling on the first six to ten feet of long putts."

Faldo, Ian Woosnam, the defending champion, and Severiano Ballesteros head a strong field which includes José-María Olazábal, Bernhard Langer, Steven Richardson, Sam Torrance, Sandy Lyle and Mark McNulty, who returns after injury: indeed, the top 50 in the Volvo order of merit are all playing. Rocco Mediate, Mark Brooks, Jay Don Blake and Kenny Perry, all winners on the US PGA Tour this season, are among several Americans competing. Tom Weiskopf, who won the Open in 1973, is also playing.

Woosnam flew here in his private plane, circling 20 minutes over Perth because of fog. He also spoke of pressure. "It is not too bad when you win easily," Woosnam, who won the Monte Carlo Open on Sunday by four shots, said. "But if you go down the line with another guy then that takes it out of you."

Ballesteros would prefer to go down the line, win or lose, rather than play a supporting role this week. "I want to be in contention and to peak for the Open next week," he said. "I don't mind the pressure. I can handle it. I understand what Woosie is saying because I won three times and lost a play-off in four tournaments recently, which took much more out of me than I realised. To win here would be great. But to finish in the top five would also be good." There is pressure, too, for those players seeking automatic entry into the Open. The leading five players in the top 25 who are otherwise not exempt will avoid the pre-qualifying test.

CARD OF COURSE

Hole	Yds	Par	Hole	Yds	Par
1	382	4	10	447	4
2	436	4	11	230	3
3	374	4	12	442	4
4	468	4	13	464	4
5	178	3	14	310	4
6	480	5	15	459	4
7	444	4	16	158	3
8	178	3	17	377	4
9	409	4	18	525	5
Out	3,327	35	In	3,412	35

Total yardage: 6,739 Par: 70



Aiming high: Sanderson wins the javelin for Britain

The hunger that refuses to abate inside Sanderson

By DAVID POWELL, ATHLETICS CORRESPONDENT

THERE is no sentiment about Olympic selection. Either you are good enough or not, no matter who you are. Remember Sebastian Coe, Olympic 1,500 metres champion in 1980 and 1984, cast-off in 1988? So Tessa Sanderson will be granted no favours next year when she attempts to become the first British athlete to compete in five Olympic Games.

Judging by her performance last month, she needs none. With one mighty throw of the javelin, she beat the world record holder and became Britain's only woman winner at the European Cup in Frankfurt. At 35, she may have been a veteran in athletics' terms, but now she was indispensable to her country . . . unlike her employers. Sky Television had just told Sanderson that she was no longer required as a sports presenter.

The irony of it. One year earlier, to the week, Sanderson had refused to compete for Britain because the £1,800 offered for the McVitie's Challenge was "an insult". She could afford to stand her ground on a matter of principle. The British board was not being generous with its appearance money but the High Court in London was — £30,000 in damages from a newspaper which claimed that she had stolen another woman's husband.

Husbands no, glory yes. She stole the headlines from the British women in Frankfurt. Yvonne Murray, Sally Gunnell and Jill Hunter were the three best hopes for victory, but none won. Meanwhile Sanderson, whose very selection for the team had been borderline, proved the wisdom of Joan Allison's words. The women's team manager had said when the squad was announced: "We feel Tessa will cope best with the situation of the European Cup."

Even for a former Olympic champion, holder of three Commonwealth gold medals and MBE, Frankfurt was special. "I felt almost as good as when I won the Olympics," Sanderson said. "I knew the chips were down because I was not fit. Usually I go into a competition thinking I can win, but this time I felt I probably would not. I had jarred my back and five days before the competition I could not get out of bed."

It was Sanderson's first European Cup victory in six attempts spanning 16 years. But she expects to stop at five Olympic Games. "Next year will be my final Games," she said. Can we be sure? After retaining her Commonwealth title last year she said retirement was probable. Yet still she is saying: "The hunger is there." Indeed, she competes in the Parcelforce Games at Crystal Palace on Friday.

She is the only Briton in her event with a 1991 world championship qualifying standard. The world championships have been her weak spot, the only big event from which she does not have a medal. She was fourth in 1983 and again four years later.

In beating Petra Felke-Meier, the world record holder from Germany, in Frankfurt, Sanderson convinced herself that she can improve on her previous world championship efforts when the javelin takes place in Tokyo on September 1. But a second Olympic gold is the medal she wants most. "If I am fit next year I really think I can win it," she said. Felke-Meier, for one, knows not to discount her.

Champion bides time

THE Open champion, Nick Faldo, will continue to wear a Sport Light "watch" designed to absorb impact pressures, despite warnings by environmentalists that it contains dangerous levels of mercury (Mitchell Platts writes).

Faldo said: "I won't stop using it as long as I'm confident that it cannot be broken. It says on the package that it can handle a massive tonnage of pressure. But if it is banned then, naturally, I would stop using it."

The environment department has stated that the government could ban the Tenex Elbow Shock Absorber, a similar wrist band, only under consumer protection legislation. The watch has a bulb filled with mercury which, in Faldo's case, relieves the impact on his wrists.

Wentworth awaits the flair and finesse of the French

By PATRICIA DAVIES

IT IS a long time since Arnaud Massy became the first and, so far, only Frenchman to win the Open Championship, in 1907. Since then, France's golfing successes have been almost exclusively female, and, even if the men had been good, they would still have been overshadowed. When the women were good, they were very, very good; veritably the *nonpareilles* of the fairways.

The latest guardians of this distinguished tradition, led by Cecilia Mourgue d'Algue, are at Wentworth this week, where today they start the defence of the European women's team championship they won two years ago in Spain. There are 13 countries competing, including Scotland, Ireland, Wales and England, who were beaten finalists last time.

The French include four players from their winning side and one of the newcomers is Valérie Michaud, the reigning British women's champion. It is a title worth having and Michaud's victory was a revival of a grand old Gallic custom.

In the 1960s, when swinging was the thing, the French dominated the British, winning it four times and supplying the runner-up once. There were three players involved — Brigitte Varangot, Catherine Lacoste and Claudine Cros — and together they won the first women's world amateur team championship, the Espirito Santo, at St Germain in 1964.

The French federation instituted that championship and it was run under the chairmanship of the incomparable Vicomtesse de Saint-Sauveur, now Lally Segard, who was also the French captain. She also made sure that the French competed everywhere, paying particular regard to the British championship, which was often played on unfamiliar links courses.

The line has continued to produce other players of quality such as Anne-Marie Palli, Marie-Laure de Lorenzi and, now, Michaud and Sandrine Mendiburu, who became the first non-American to win the US girls' junior championship last year. She is not in the team at Wentworth this week, which consists of Michaud, Caroline Bourtayre, Valérie Pamard, Delphine Bourson, and a brace of Mourgue d'Algues, Cecilia and her daughter, Kristel.

Mendiburu, who was in the team two years ago, is instead competing at the US women's open as an amateur, although she will soon turn professional in anticipation of a career that could astonish the world.

Vive les nonpareilles.

CRICKET

Yorkshire prepare to change

By MARTIN SEARBY

THE last vestige of opposition to Yorkshire signing an overseas player has been swept away with the news that Brian Close, the club's chairman, and his cricket committee are in favour of such a move. Discussion on the issue at tonight's meeting of the full Yorkshire committee at Headingley should be a formality.

However, it has emerged that the seven men who have, in the past, been vehemently opposed to the move, voted, at their cricket committee meeting on Friday, specifically for an overseas fast bowler after rejecting a more general motion. It is understood that the first ballot brought a 3-3 result, with Close casting his vote against a change of policy, but that an amendment insisting any signing must be a bowler resulted in one man, Bob Appleyard, changing his mind.

Close, the former England, Yorkshire and Somerset captain, said: "I have always been against overseas players in our domestic game because English cricket comes first with me. In that respect, Yorkshire is secondary to the quality of the national side and I think this is a short-cut to success. But I am not going to take my ball home just because the vote has gone against me and I will work to find the best man available."

The support of the cricket committee is a considerable boost for Sir Lawrence Byford, the president and chairman of the club, who has carried out a skilful political campaign behind the scenes to spike the opposition's big guns, manned mainly by former players.

Even Fred Trueman, who at one time threatened to tear up his membership card if the county signed a foreigner, has come into line following a telephone call from the president. Sir Lawrence said: "Like the great man he is, he decided to swallow his pride and support me after I explained to him the implications."

Sir Lawrence said he wanted the matter dealt with "expeditiously" and Yorkshire may even be in a position to reveal the identity of the man they want tonight.

A shortlist has been drawn up. It is believed to contain the names of Craig McDermott, of Australia, and two South Africans, Richard Snell, the Transvaal bowler, and Brian McMillan, of Western Province, the all-rounder who played for Warwickshire in 1986.

☐ Ravi Shastri is doubtful for Glamorgan's NatWest Trophy second-round match at Worcester tomorrow. He sustained a groin strain in the Refuge Assurance League game against Kent at Maidstone on Sunday. Ian Smith returns in place of Tony Cottey in a squad of 12.

Botham piles on misery

WORCESTER (Worcestershire won toss): Worcestershire (4pts) beat Derbyshire by eight wickets

IAN Botham poured more misery on last year's champions, Derbyshire, in a re-arranged Refuge Assurance League match at New Road yesterday.

Derbyshire fell to their eighth successive defeat as Botham captured three for 21 in eight overs and then clinched an eight-wicket victory for Worcestershire with 7.3 overs to spare.

The all-rounder continued his comeback after hamstring trouble by driving Devon Malcolm for six and hitting four fours in an unbeaten 36 off only 28 balls. His assault upstaged Damian D'Oliveira — who scored 54 off 62 balls — and Tim Curtis, who replaced his opening partner, Tom Moody, at the top of the League averages after completing his eighth half-century in this season's competition.

Moody suffered a rare setback when he was caught behind for one off Allan Warner, but Curtis went on to an undefeated 63 and put on 98 for the second wicket with D'Oliveira. Worcestershire needed only 170 after restricting Derbyshire to 169 for nine on a slow pitch, with John Morris top-scoring with a brisk 51.

DERBYSHIRE

P D Bowler b Radford	9
C J Adams c Newport b Botham	36
J E Morris c and b Stemp	51
F A Griffith lbw b Botham	9
T J G O'Gorman c Rhodes b Stemp	4
S C Goldsmith b Stemp	4
*K J Barnett not out	16
†K M Krikken b Botham	0
A E Warner c Newport b Radford	21
S J Base b Radford	0
D E Malcolm not out	2
Extras (b 2, lb 8, w 3, nb 4)	17
Total (9 wkts, 40 overs)	169

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-15, 2-91, 3-117, 4-118, 5-125, 6-128, 7-128, 8-162, 9-169.
BOWLING: Radford 7-0-18-3; Weston 5-0-24-0; Newport 5-0-23-0; Lampitt 7-0-57-0; Botham 8-1-21-3; Stemp 8-1-18-3.

WORCESTERSHIRE

T S Curtis not out	63
T M Moody c Krikken b Warner	1
D B D'Oliveira c O'Gorman b Malcolm	54
I T Botham not out	36
Extras (b 4, lb 10, w 2, nb 1)	17
Total (2 wkts, 32.3 overs)	171

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-2, 2-100.
*P A Neale, W P C Weston, †S J Rhodes, S R Lampitt, P J Newport, N V Radford and R D Stemp did not bat.
BOWLING: Base 8-1-28-0; Warner 5-0-10-1; Malcolm 8-0-57-1; Goldsmith 8-1-33-0; Griffith 3-0-22-0; Morris 0.3-0-7-0.
Umpires: R Julian and R Palmer.

Hadlee has operation

WELLINGTON (Reuter) — Sir Richard Hadlee, who retired last year after taking a world record 431 Test-match wickets for New Zealand, was recovering yesterday after five hours of open heart surgery.

Hadlee, aged 40, had been taking medication for a condition which forces his heartbeat from his normal 60 to 70 up to 300 beats a minute.

Clive Robinson, the surgeon, said the first 48 hours would be critical to Hadlee's recovery. His wife, Karen, said: "The next 48 hours will tell, but he's quite well, considering. I think he was struggling to cope with the drugs."

TEST MATCH AVERAGES

England batting and fielding

	M	I	NO	Runs	HS	Avge	100	50	Ct/s
R A Smith	3	5	2	281	148*	93.66	1	2	2
G A Gooch	3	5	1	306	154*	76.50	1	1	3
P A J DeFreitas	3	5	1	110	59*	27.50	—	1	1
M R Ramprakash	3	5	0	112	27	22.40	—	—	3
D V Lawrence	1	2	0	38	34	19.00	—	—	—
D R Pringle	3	5	0	81	35	16.20	—	—	1
R K Illingworth	1	2	0	26	13	13.00	—	—	1
R C Russell	3	5	0	61	46	12.20	—	—	4
G A Hick	3	5	0	55	43	11.00	—	—	4
A J Lamb	3	5	0	54	29	10.80	—	—	7
M A Atherton	3	5	0	49	32	9.80	—	—	2
D E Malcolm	2	3	1	9	5*	4.50	—	—	1
S L Watkin	2	3	0	8	6	2.66	—	—	—

Bowling

	O	M	R	W	Avge	BB	5i	10m
P A J DeFreitas	114.2	23	283	14	20.21	4-34	—	—
D R Pringle	98.1	23	243	11	22.09	5-100	1	—
S L Watkin	36	4	153	5	30.60	3-38	—	—
R K Illingworth	35	8	116	3	38.33	3-110	—	—
G A Hick	23	4	86	2	47.50	2-77	—	—
D V Lawrence	36.2	2	177	3	59.00	2-116	—	—
D E Malcolm	42.3	3	180	3	60.00	1-8	—	—

ALSO BOWLED: G A Gooch 2-0-3-0.

☐ *Compiled by Richard Lockwood*

West Indies batting and fielding

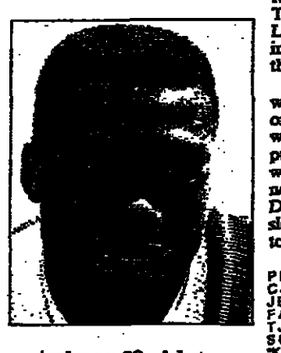
	M	I	NO	Runs	HS	Avge	100	50	Ct/s
I V A Richards	3	4	0	219	80	54.75	—	3	2
R B Richardson	3	6	1	250	68	50.00	—	3	1
D L Haynes	3	6	2	165	60	41.25	—	2	1
C L Hooper	3	5	1	128	111	32.00	1	—	6
M D Marshall	3	4	0	93	67	23.25	—	1	—
A L Logie	3	4	0	92	78	23.00	—	1	2
P J L Dujon	3	4	0	78	33	19.50	—	—	11
P V Simmons	3	6	0	86	38	14.33	—	—	4
C E L Ambrose	3	4	0	38	17	9.00	—	—	—
C A Walsh	3	4	0	34	12	8.50	—	—	—
B P Patterson	1	2	2	5	5*	—	—	—	—
I B A Allen	2	2	2	5	4*	—	—	—	1

Bowling

	O	M	R	W	Avge	BB	5i	10m
C E L Ambrose	148	38	323	20	16.15	6-92	2	—
M D Marshall	110.5	24	285	12	23.75	3-45	—	—
C L Hooper	15	7	31	1	31.00	1-10	—	—
I B A Allen	47	4	180	5	36.00	2-69	—	—
B P Patterson	41.2	9	119	3	39.66	3-57	—	—
C A Walsh	118	27	321	8	40.12	4-64	—	—

ALSO BOWLED: I V A Richards 5-1-6-0.

Source: TCCB/Bull


Ambrose: 20 wickets

FULL SCORECARD FROM THE EDGBASTON TEST

England won toss

ENGLAND: First Innings

		6s	4s	Min	Balls
*G A Gooch lbw b Marshall	68	—	10	130	110
Offered no shot to ball cutting back					
M A Atherton lbw b Ambrose	32	—	2	123	80
Half forward as ball angled in					
G A Hick c Dujon b Ambrose	48	—	4	155	113
Gloved lifting ball down leg side					
A J Lamb lbw b Ambrose	13	—	1	39	21
Beaten on defensive back-foot shot					
M R Ramprakash b Ambrose	13	—	—	87	64
Hit round dipping, slower yorker					
R A Smith not out	64	—	5	192	150
†R C Russell c Logie b Allen	8	—	—	32	22
Turned ball wide of square leg					
D R Pringle c sub (Lambert) b Allen	0	—	—	9	6
Flicked ball towards square leg					
P A J DeFreitas b Walsh	8	—	1	12	12
Played across ball moving in from off					
R K Illingworth c Hooper b Ambrose	13	—	2	61	46
Gloved bouncer to second slip					
D V Lawrence c Allen b Marshall	4	—	—	61	24
Lunge to extra cover					
Extras (lb 17, w 1, nb 21)	39				
Total (103.5 overs, 454 min)	300				

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-108 (Gooch 84 not out), 2-113 (Hick 0), 3-138 (Hick 10), 4-188 (Hick 40), 5-192 (Smith 2), 6-212 (Smith 19), 7-217 (Smith 23), 8-228 (Smith 26), 9-270 (Smith 40).
BOWLING: Ambrose 34-7-74-5 (w 1, nb 10) (7-2-18-0, 9-2-23-2, 8-1-12-2, 10-2-20-1); Marshall 21.5-8-54-2 (nb 9) (6-1-20-0, 8-3-18-1, 1-1-0-0, 6.5-1-16-1); Walsh 24-4-75-1 (6-1-23-0, 6-2-15-0, 12-1-34-1); Allen 17-0-62-2 (nb 6) (6-0-28-0, 5-0-13-0, 6-0-26-2); Hooper 6-4-10-0 (2-1-8-0, 4-3-1-0); Richards 1-0-1-0.
INTERMEDIATE SCORES: 50 (66 min, 14.5 overs); 100 (119 min, 27.4 overs); 150 (200 min, 45.2 overs); 200 (230 min, 57.1 overs); 250 (383 min, 82.5 overs); 300 (453 min, 103.4 overs). First day: Lunch: 106-0 (28 overs). Tea: 175-3 (56 overs). Close: 269-8 (90 overs). Second day: New ball at 270-8 (91.4 overs). Innings closed 12.03.

Second Innings

		6s	4s	Min	Balls
*G A Gooch b Ambrose	13	—	1	54	42
Deceived by length, beaten on back foot					
M A Atherton b Marshall	4	—	1	8	6
Played on — attempting not to play					
G A Hick c Dujon b Ambrose	0	—	—	9	3
Inside edge as ball cut back					
A J Lamb lbw b Marshall	29	—	4	118	82
Stretched forward — playing no shot					
M R Ramprakash c Dujon b Ambrose	21	—	—	171	118
Edged lifting ball towards first slip					
R A Smith c Richards b Walsh	15	—	1	59	37
Edged rising ball to first slip					
†R C Russell b Walsh	3	—	—	28	19
Playing back to bat that kept low					
D R Pringle c Simmons b Walsh	3	—	—	44	33
From bat's shoulder to juggling gully					
P A J DeFreitas not out	55	—	4	130	86
R K Illingworth c Simmons b Walsh	13	—	1	28	16
Square cut to gully					
D V Lawrence c Hooper b Allen	34	—	5	57	38
Edged defensive shot to second slip					
Extras (lb 14, w 3, nb 4)	21				
Total (79 overs, 361 min)	211				

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-4 (Gooch 0 not out), 2-8 (Gooch 3), 3-25 (Lamb 7), 4-67 (Ramprakash 9), 5-100 (Ramprakash 19), 6-106 (Russell 3), 7-106 (Pringle 0), 8-115 (DeFreitas 6), 9-153 (DeFreitas 31).
BOWLING: Ambrose 27-3-81-3 (nb 3) (9-5-13-2, 4-1-10-0, 14-1-38-1); Marshall 21-8-49-2 (nb 2, w 3) (9-2-22-1, 11-4-24-1, 1-0-3-0); Allen 7-2-23-1 (nb1) (5-2-5-0, 2-0-18-1); Walsh 24-7-64-4 (4-1-11-0, 20-6-53-4).
INTERMEDIATE SCORES: 50 (112 min, 25.4 overs); 100 (199 min, 44.3 overs); 150 (300 min, 68.3 overs); 200 (351 min, 77 overs). Third day: Close: 54-3 (27 overs). Fourth day: Rain stopped play at 12.12. Lunch (12.50): 98-4 (42.2 overs). Further rain; restart 2.30. Tea: 141-6 (65 overs). Bad light stopped play 5.32 to 5.58. Innings closed 6.02.

WEST INDIES: First Innings

		6s	4s	Min	Balls
P V Simmons b Illingworth	12	—	2	41	25
Beaten between bat and pad					
D L Haynes c Smith b Lawrence	18	—	3	38	26
Bat-pad going forward to short leg					
R B Richardson b Lawrence	43	—	6	85	76
Hit round inswinging yorker					
C L Hooper c Russell b DeFreitas	11	—	1	25	22
Low catch off defensive shot					
*I V A Richards b Illingworth	80	2	8	209	165
Charge down pitch, scrambling back					
A L Logie c Ramprakash b DeFreitas	78	1	8	190	132
Square cut caught low at cover					
†P J L Dujon c Hick b Pringle	19	—	3	110	79
Edged low to second slip					
M D Marshall c Illingworth b DeFreitas	67	—	6	189	133
Skied wildly to short leg					
C E L Ambrose b Illingworth	17	—	2	62	44
Slogging, ball turned out of rough					
C A Walsh lbw b Pringle	12	—	2	56	35
Playing across line					
I B A Allen not out	4	—	1	4	4
Extras (b 2, lb 13, w 1, nb 20)	36				
Total (118.1 overs, 518 min)	397				

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-32 (Simmons 12 not out), 2-32 (Richardson 0), 3-45 (Richardson 2), 4-118 (Richards 18), 5-239 (Logie 52), 6-272 (Dujon 7), 7-324 (Marshall 34), 8-358 (Marshall 47), 9-392 (Marshall 67).
BOWLING: DeFreitas 31.1-9-67-3 (4-2-7-0, 8-4-19-1, 8-1-9-0, 2-0-2-0, 3-0-10-1, 6-2-17-0, 2.1-0-3-1); Lawrence (nb 11) 24-2-116-2 (4-1-25-1, 6-0-32-1, 7-1-30-0, 3-0-21-0, 4-0-8-0); Illingworth (nb 1) 33-8-110-3 (7-0-29-1, 4-0-14-0, 4-1-28-0, 10-8-16-1, 8-1-23-1); Pringle (w 1, nb 10) 26-5-71-2 (3-1-11-0, 6-1-23-0, 3-1-3-0, 2-1-1-0, 9-2-20-1, 2-0-13-1); Hick 5-0-18-0 (4-0-17-0, 1-0-1-0).
INTERMEDIATE SCORES: 50 (79 min, 17.3 overs); 100 (118 min, 26.2 overs); 150 (169 min, 37.1 overs); 200 (231 min, 52.5 overs); 250 (292 min, 67.4 overs); 300 (361 min, 83.2 overs); 350 (437 min, 99.5 overs). Second day: Lunch: 35-2 (9 overs). Tea: 145-4 (36 overs). Close: 282-5 (74 overs). Third day (1.10 start): New ball at 301-6 (95 overs). Tea: 381-8 (114 overs).

Second Innings

		6s	4s	Min	Balls
P V Simmons c Russell b Lawrence	1	—	—	7	3
Thin edge to wicketkeeper					
D L Haynes not out	57	—	6	149	97
R B Richardson not out	52	—	6	140	100
Extras (nb 5)	5				
Total (1 wkt, 32.2 overs, 149 min)	115				

FALL OF WICKET: 1-1 (Haynes 0 not out).
BOWLING: DeFreitas 11-3-29-0 (one spell); Lawrence 12.2-0-61-1 (nb 3) (7-0-28-1, 5.2-0-33-0); Pringle 7-2-20-0 (nb 3); Illingworth 2-0-5-0.
INTERMEDIATE SCORES: 50 (66 min, 13.3 overs); 100 (132 min, 28.3 overs). Fourth day: Close 20-1 (5.3 overs). Fifth day: Innings closed 1.00.
Umpires: J H Hampshire and M J Kitchen.
Man of the match: C E L Ambrose (adjudicator: D Lloyd).

WEST INDIES WON BY NINE WICKETS

PREVIOUS MATCHES: Headingley (June 6 to 10): England won by 115 runs. Lord's (June 20 to June 24): Match drawn.
MATCHES TO COME: Edgbaston (July 25 to 29); the Oval (August 8 to 12).

BOXING

Ali and Cooper shape up again after 25 years

By SRIKUMAR SEN, BOXING CORRESPONDENT

MUHAMMAD Ali and Henry Cooper, who last faced each other in the ring 25 years ago at Arsenal football ground, meet again in London on September 22. This time they join forces to raise money for other retired performers on the boards.

Ali, who will be here from September 21 to 28 to publicise the book by Thomas Hauser, *Mohammad Ali: His Life and Times* (Robson Books), will be the guest of honour at a charity dinner at the Grosvenor House. The proceeds will go to the Entertainment Artistes Benevolent Fund and the Boxers' Benevolent Fund.

Cooper said yesterday he was looking forward to meeting his old rival again. Talking about the left hook that put down Ali in their first meeting — a non-title contest — at Wembley, Cooper said: "Ali said the left hook I caught him with was the hardest he ever took. He said it hurt him so much that it not only shook him but his ancestors in Africa as well.

"He was the greatest personality of the boxing world for the last 50 years. No heavyweight could move like Ali, nor ever will, because they are like battleships nowadays. He had cat-like reflexes."

Even though Ali has slowed down these days as a result of Parkinson's disease, he has not lost his zest for living. He told Hauser: "Now my life is really starting. Maybe I was great in the ring, but outside boxing I am just a brother like other people.

"I want to live a good life, serve God, help everybody I can. And one more thing, I'm gonna find out who stole my bike when I was 12 years old in Louisville. I'm still gonna whup him. That was a good bike."

Applications for dinner tickets should be sent to Bernard Hart, Lonsdale Sports Equipment Limited, 21 Beak Street, London, W1R 3LB.

NETBALL

England face tough task in semi-finals

SYDNEY — England and the world champions, New Zealand, meet in the semi-finals of the world championships on Friday (a Special Correspondent writes).

The odds are against England, who have won only once and drawn twice in 37 meetings between the countries.

Wales prepared for their game against England today by beating Cayman Islands 85-18.

The Cook Islands set a world record when they overwhelmed Vanuatu 120-38. On Friday, Vanuatu went down 114-23 to Jamaica, which equalled the scoring record.

RESULTS: Pool A: Cook Islands 120, Vanuatu 38; Canada 61, Namibia 47; Jamaica 87, Hong Kong 28; Republic of Ireland 52, Papua New Guinea 48. Leading positions: 1, New Zealand, 14pts; 2, Cook Islands, 14; 3, Jamaica, 12; 4, Canada, 10; 5, Republic Ireland, 10; 6, Namibia, 6; 7, Northern Ireland, 5; 8, Papua New Guinea. Pool B: Australia 81, Western Samoa 25; Fiji 57, Singapore 42; Wales 85, Cayman Islands 18; Scotland 50, Malaysia 30. Leading positions: 1, Australia, 14pts; 2, England, 12; 3, Western Samoa, 10; 4, Wales, 10; 5, Fiji, 8; 6, Scotland, 8; 7, Cayman Islands, 4; 8, Malaysia, 2.

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Competition winner

MR RICHARD Edwards is the winner of *The Times*' competition offering a day's racing for two people during Cowes Week as the guests of Champagne Mumm, the sponsor of the Admiral's Cup series. Mr Edwards, who lives at Restronguet, Mylor, Falmouth, Cornwall, and a companion, will spend August 5 aboard the 60ft racing cruiser, Elysia.

The ten runners-up, who each receive a bottle of Mumm champagne, are: Miss M. T. Kidd, of Leslie Road, East Finchley, London N2; J. Clifton-Bligh, of Bovington, Wareham, Dorset; K. Taylor, of Haslemere Road, Witley, Surrey; Chris Meredith, of Antrobus Road, London W4; Richard Whyley, of Howl Lane, Hutton Cranswick, near Driffield, Yorkshire; G. Jones, of Alderbrook Road, Solihull, West Midlands; K. C. Scott, of King's Road, Richmond, Surrey; M. F. Price, of Frankfield Rise, Tunbridge Wells, Kent; Peter Garrick, of Macers Lane, Wormley, Broxbourne, Hertfordshire; and Alison Kent, of Gayhurst, Newport Pagnell, Buckinghamshire.

ANSWERS: 1, Royal Yacht Squadron; 2, Three; 3, Britain; 4, Peter Blake; 5, Beaufort scale.

Tour match

11.00

DARLINGTON: Minor Counties v West Indians.

RAPID CRICKETLINE SECOND XI CHAMPIONSHIP: Cardiff: Glamorgan v Nottinghamshire. Chelmsford: Essex v Warwickshire. Derby: Derbyshire v Middlesex. Maidstone: Kent v Sussex. Oakham: Leicestershire v Gloucestershire. Old Trafford: Lancashire v Hampshire. York: Yorkshire v Somerset.

FOOTBALL

Kelly examines a new proposal to end the deadlock

By PETER BALL

A MOVE to maintain the administrative functions of the Football League may be a way out of the impasse involving the Football Association, the first division clubs and the League. The proposal was yesterday being studied by Graham Kelly, the chief executive of the FA, after it was presented to him by Rick Parry, the spokesman for the first divison clubs.

"I'm quite interested in it," Kelly said. The interest of Kelly, and of leading first division clubs who have discussed the idea with Parry, suggests that it will be the main topic of conversation at the next meeting of the first division clubs a week today.

By then, there may have been further developments. Gordon Taylor, secretary of the Professional Footballers' Association, who spoke alongside Arthur Sandford, the chief executive of the League, at a Football Supporters' Association meeting in Manchester on Monday, will address the meeting of the second division clubs at Leicester on Friday. Taylor is likely to emphasise the players' determination to protect the integrity of the 92 clubs.

The second division will also hear from Parry on the demands of the first division, and may consider an approach to the FA to be incorporated in the FA's new league. Quite where that would leave a breakaway premier league is anybody's guess.

Parry's scheme might provide an answer. It would see the first division, second division and associate members form themselves into totally separate self-governing units — possibly as three limited companies — would retain promotion and relegation between the divisions, and would retain the League headquarters as an administrative centre dealing with fixtures, registration and the minutiae of organisation.

The plan is an extension of the proposition Sandford hopes to use to retain the clubs within the League format. With the first division apparently determined on self-government and financial independence, the FA's premier division will need considerable changes to be acceptable to the clubs.

Only three weeks after its publication, the fourth and fifth chapters of the "FA Blueprint" — the key sections dealing with the establishment of the premier division and its finance — are already dead. "The financial section is pathetic," one first division chairman and FA councillor said. The clubs have already won a concession, with Kelly accepting that 20 rather than 22 clubs could form the league.

Even that is not enough for the majority and there are indications that the leading issue will be over control. The FA's proposals that the FA chairman and chief executive should sit on the League management committee, and that the premier league financial director would report to the FA chief executive, are all proving sticking points.

In many ways, the League's proposal gives the clubs more. It was discussed by the clubs last week but, despite some interest, it has so far failed to convince them of its merits to persuade them into a *volte-face*. The clubs are still expected to submit their resignations from the League to Parry by next Wednesday.

"Some people suggested that the League proposal gave us what we wanted without the risks of coming under the FA," said one senior first division chairman. "But it was felt that it wouldn't look good in the eyes of the world if we backtracked now, so the decision was that we would still go the FA route."

Leeds facing £3m bill

LEEDS United were yesterday ordered to pay a total of £3 million by a Football League transfer tribunal, taking their spending in the close season to nearly £4 million.

The Yorkshire club must pay Chelsea £1.3 million for the England full back, Tony Dorigo, and £1.7 million to Southampton for the twin brothers, Rod and Ray Wallace. Last week, Howard Wilkinson, the Leeds manager, completed the £800,000 signing of Steve Hodge, the Nottingham Forest and England midfield player.

Leeds had originally offered £1 million for Dorigo, who was valued at twice that amount by his club, and £750,000 for the Wallaces. The tribunal valued Rod Wallace at £1.6 million and his brother at £100,000.

The decision means that Chelsea have recouped almost all the £1.4 million they spent the previous day on the Celtic defender, Paul Elliott.

☐ A transfer tribunal will also adjudicate on the fee Wimbledon must pay Port Vale for the midfield player, Robbie Earle, whom they value at £1 million.

RUGBY UNION

England nagged by injury

From DAVID HANDS, RUGBY CORRESPONDENT, MELBOURNE

AFTER a championship season undisturbed for the first time in 21 years, England continue to be nagged by injury on tour. Twice Gary Pearce has been selected and twice the Northampton prop has been forced to withdraw because of a twisted ankle which keeps him out of this evening's match at Olympic Park here against the Victoria President's XV.

Coupled with that are minor injuries to Heslop and Hall, both of whom had x-rays yesterday on badly bruised wrist and fingers, and the report of a local ear, nose and throat specialist on Teague's damaged nose. "It's disrupting but it's not serious at this stage," Geoff Cooke, the team manager, said as he announced for the second time in five days the return of Probyn to the front row in Pearce's place. Ironically, Pearce was able to train at the second division Footscray club in suburban Melbourne, but he wants to have complete confidence in his leg before taking the field in earnest. "It's nearly there but not quite," he said, and must hope now that he can play on Sunday against Queensland.

The effect on this evening's team is slight, though Probyn may not regard it as such since he now props against Ernesto Rodriguez, the Argentinian who was the cornerstone of the 1984 Grand Slam Wallabies pack. Rodriguez, aged 39, retired from international rugby four years ago. "In March this year I wasn't sure what I was going to do with my rugby life and I started playing fifth grade at Warringah," he said. "The second week they put me in the thirds, then graded me in the seconds."

Always a competitor, Rodriguez is one of six outsiders brought in to bolster the Victoria side, most of whose rugby is played in the Southern States championship.

England's arrival in Melbourne has caused little interest. However, it gives Dirk Williams the chance to renew acquaintance with former club colleagues: Williams, the New Zealander now playing with Eastern Suburbs in Sydney, captains the Victoria XV, but played for Harlequins in 1987-8.

Another Harlequin playing for Victoria is Troy Coker, still hoping for a place in Australia's final World Cup squad.

Behind them is a remarkably physical set of backs, of whom only Hodgkinson and Pears might be described as slight.

VICTORIA PRESIDENT'S XV: T Kelaher; C Smith, P Gascoigne, R Sanders, D Campese; D Knox, A Fraser; E Rodriguez, L Mawhinney, L Rafuna, D Williams (captain), T Kava, S Hughs, K Stout, T Coker.

ENGLAND XV: S Hodgkinson (Nottingham); I Hunter (Northampton), D Hopley (Wasps), S Halliday (Harlequins), C Oti (Wasps); D Pears (Harlequins), D Morris (Orrell); P Rendall (Wasps), J Olver (Northampton, captain), J Probyn (Wasps), M Skinner (Harlequins), N Redman (Bath), M Bayfield (Northampton), G Rees (Nottingham), D Richards (Leicester).

Referee: M Keogh (ACT).

Ante-natal dilemma

BOB Dwyer, the Australian coach, wants to select three scrum halves in the party to oppose Wales on July 21 (David Hands writes). Nick Farr-Jones, the Wallaby scrum half and captain, is awaiting the birth of his first child and would withdraw from the team should his wife go into labour immediately before the Welsh game, or, more likely, that against England on July 27.

Ron Waldron, the Wales coach, is concerned at the way Australian opponents have been allowed to play the ball on the ground.



Sprint finisher: Abdoujaparov salutes his second stage win in Reims yesterday

Kelly denied after sprint

THE champagne fell a little flat for Sean Kelly in the Tour de France yesterday. After a day in which the Tour took to the French champagne country between Dijon and Reims, Kelly was denied a stage victory by the narrowest of margins in a massed sprint at the finish.

Victory went to Djamolidine Abdoujaparov, of the Soviet Union, ahead of Olaf Ludwig, of Germany, with the evergreen Kelly, now aged 35, a whisker behind in third place. All three were credited with the same time, as was a huge group that trailed behind them after 286km and almost eight hours in the saddle, the longest stage in this year's race. There was no change in the overall leadership, with Rolf Sorensen, of Denmark and the Ariostea team, retaining his 10sec lead over the defending champion, Greg LeMond, of the United States. Eric Breukink, of The Netherlands, stood a further two seconds back.

Abdoujaparov, a Soviet army corporal from Tashkent, riding for Carrera, became the first Asian rider to earn a Tour de France victory when he won the first stage in Lyon on Sunday. He wasted little time in adding his second, although he appeared to trap several rivals on the barriers as he swerved to the right within 100 metres of the finish in Reims.

There were attacks earlier in the stage, notably from two Italians, Claudio Chiappucci and Gianni Bugno, during the relatively flat ride into the champagne region, but most breakaways were quickly pulled back by the main peloton.

Chiappucci, second to LeMond in last year's Tour but plainly irked to find himself 2min 40sec down on the leaders and in 69th place overall, made a move in the middle of the stage. He got away with Jerome Simon and Thierry Claveyrolat, of France, Eduardo Chozas, of Spain, and Peter De Clercq, of Belgium, in a break that lasted 40km.

"It wasn't a real attack. I just wanted to test my physical condition," Chiapucci said. He made another attempt 20km from the finish as the road began to climb through the champagne vineyards. Bugno, last year's winner of the Giro d'Italia, swiftly followed and looked as if he could get clear himself before the American's Z team closed the gap.

"Chiappucci attacked and Bugno countered. I had to suffer for about 1km," LeMond said. "But it wasn't too bad today."

The Belgian sprinter, Johan Museeuw, said later he had been hampered by Abdoujaparov at the end of the stage. Museeuw finished sixth after having to break to avoid hitting either the Soviet rider or the barriers.

DETAILS

FOURTH STAGE (Dijon to Reims, 286km): 1, D Abdoujaparov (USSR, Carrera), 7hr 48min 14sec; 2, O Ludwig (Ger, Panasonic), same time; 3, S Kelly (Eire, PDM), same time; 4, J Shur (Ger, Chateau d'Ax); 5, U Raab (Ger, PDM); 6, J Museeuw (Bel, Lotto); 7, P Anderson (Aus, Motorola); 8, L Jalabert (Fr, Toshiba); 9, A Kappes (Ger, Helor); 10, R Stumpf (Ger, Histor); 11, E Vanderaerden (Bel, Buckler); 12, J Nijdam (Neth, Buckler); 13, M Fondriest (It, Panasonic); 14, J-C Colotti (Fr, Tonton Tapis); 15, P Verachtueren (Bel, Lotto), all same time. Other placings: 16, S Yates (GB, Motorola); 69, M Earley (Eire, PDM); 84, R Miller (GB, Z), all same time; 197, L Roche (Eire, Tonton Tapis), at 15min 36sec. Overall standings: 1, R Sorensen (Den, Ariostea), 15hr 21min 21sec; 2, G LeMond (US, Z), at 10sec; 3, E Breukink (Neth, PDM), at 12; 4, Kelly, at 14; 5, Abdoujaparov, at 23; 6, R Dhaenens (Bel, Panasonic), at 33; 7, B Comillet (Fr, Z), at 50; 8, R Alcala (Mex, PDM), at 1min 02sec; 9, M Vermote (Bel, RMO), at 1:12; 10, R Jaarmann (Neth, Weinmann), at 1:13; 11, T Marie (Fr, Castorama), at 1:26; 12, R Gotz (Ger, Ariostea), at 1:27; 13, L Leblanc (Fr, Castorama), at 1:38; 14, F Vihot (Fr, Castorama), at 1:39; 15, M Lietl (It, Ariostea), at 1:39. Other placings: 51, Yates, at 2:32; 56, Millar, at 2:35; 73, Earley, at 2:50; 195, Roche, at 28:59.
TODAY: Reims to Valenciennes, 145km.

Leeds had originally offered £1 million for Dorigo, who was valued at twice that amount by his club, and £750,000 for the Wallaces. The tribunal valued Rod Wallace at £1.6 million and his brother at £100,000.



Kelly: third place

TENNIS

Wimbledon comes under fire for harassing clients

By JOHN GOODBODY

MIKE Burton, one of Britain's leading corporate hospitality operators, yesterday called for the resignation of leading Wimbledon officials because his clients were harassed by agents of the All England club before the men's singles final on Sunday. After angry scenes, the police had to intervene to prevent the agents from spying on leading businessmen as they finished their lunch and made their way to the centre court.

Burton, the former British Isles' rugby union forward, said: "The actions of the All England club in using this type of tactic were both provocative and likely to cause a breach of the peace. My sympathy goes out to the police, who were placed in a dreadful position. Their resources were unnecessarily stretched by the extra pressure of these ridiculous ticket conditions. They handled an impossible situation with diplomacy and tact."

This incident was the final salvo at the 1991 championships in the dispute between the club on one side and the ticket touts and unofficial corporate hospitality companies on the other. The campaign included a High Court case, in which Burton agreed not to deal in any Wimbledon seats, other than debenture tickets, for the championships, while he has appealed to the European Court that the club has imposed unlawful conditions on the sale of tickets.

During the championships, more than 150 people who had bought tickets from touts were challenged and refused entry to the centre court. However, the 2,100 debenture tickets can be resold.

During the fortnight of the championships, Burton entertained 1,100 people, charging companies from £300 for the opening day of the tournament to £900 for the final. The package included champagne reception, lunch, tea, drinks and, of course, a centre court ticket.

Burton said that his staff had alerted him on the second Thursday that plain-clothes agents of the club, using walkie-talkies, had been spying on his clients. A similar incident took place on the Saturday. On Sunday, Burton said he found one of them questioning his own security guard on the numbers of people being entertained.

"As my clients left my premises, their details were being radioed on ahead," he said. "They followed them rather like destroyers round a convoy. I called the police and the officers warned them not to harass my clients, all of whom were in possession of debenture tickets. The agents were told not to repeat the offence."

A spokeswoman for the club said: "The security firm were carefully monitoring the activities of all unofficial corporate hospitality companies. No one company was singled out for particular surveillance. We have had no complaints from the police, with whom we worked in close co-operation. The difference between the club and Mike Burton is that our surplus goes to the benefit of British tennis."

YACHTING

Teams shape up for Cup series

From BARRY PICKTHALL IN NIEUPORT, BELGIUM

THE United States, Italy and Britain will be fielding the strongest teams in the Champagne Mumm Admiral's Cup series starting at Cowes on July 27. They are among eight national squads to have registered their three-boat teams when nominations closed yesterday.

Other strong contenders include the former holders, Germany, the only team with three new boats built specifically for the series, including yesterday's One Ton Cup race winner, ABAP/4; France, with three yachts sponsored by Corum; and Denmark, whose two-tonner, Unibank, skippered by Victor Greulich, has proved the boat to beat in recent trials against Wings of Oracle.

The one question mark rests over the Danish one-tonner, Zurich, which was damaged during the One Ton Cup.

The Italians have high hopes of a first victory. Their small boat, Brava, which finished a close second yesterday, is matched with last month's Two-Ton Cup winner, Larouge, and may well cover any weaknesses exposed by Madrake, their second-choice 50-footer.

Japan and Australia, whose participation was in doubt, have each chartered two European yachts, to support their 50-footers. The Japanese will be led by the new Bruce Farr 50-footer, Will, which was launched two weeks ago and will have Eddie Warden Owen, of Britain, and Japan's America's Cup skipper, Chris Dickson, calling the shots.

The United States's chances of winning were strengthened yesterday by Vibes's victory in the One Ton Cup. She will be backed up by the new Farr-designed two-tonner, Bravura, and Masatoshi Morita's 50ft Champosa VII. Against them all, Britain is relying on Lawrie Smith's one-tonner, Port Pendennis, Mike Peacock's leading 50-footer, Juno V, and the two-tonner, Wings of Oracle, under Stuart Childerley.

Brady has right Vibes

NIEUPORT, Belgium — Jim Brady and his crew sailing the US Admiral's Cup yacht, Vibes, secured the Ton Cup here yesterday, after overcoming a near disaster mid-way through yesterday's final olympic race, when their spinnaker jammed aloft (Barry Pickthall writes).

In the short time it took for a crewman to shin up the rigging and cut the sail away, the yacht had dropped from second to seventh. Unluckily for Britain Lawrie Smith's yacht, Port Pendennis was in no position to capitalise.

The race was won by Hasso Plattner's German Admiral's Cup yacht ABAP/4.

RESULTS: Seventh race: 1, ABAP/4 (H Plattner, Ger); 2, Olympus (G Ertaze, Gre); 3, Fram XI (King Harald of Norway); 5, Brava (F de Angelis, It); 6, Corum (X Philipson, Fr) British: 10, Port Pendennis (L Smith); 15, Advocate (S McLean). Overall: 1, Vibes (D Clarke, US), 2, 1, 2, 8, 5, 7, 7; total: 146pts; 2, Brava, 1, 3, 3, 1, 3, 5, 6; 142.5; 3, Port Pendennis 6, 5, 1, 2, 5, 4, 10; 131.5.

Ante-natal dilemma

BOB Dwyer, the Australian coach, wants to select three scrum halves in the party to oppose Wales on July 21 (David Hands writes). Nick Farr-Jones, the Wallaby scrum half and captain, is awaiting the birth of his first child and would withdraw from the team should his wife go into labour immediately before the Welsh game, or, more likely, that against England on July 27.

Ron Waldron, the Wales coach, is concerned at the way Australian opponents have been allowed to play the ball on the ground.

IN BRIEF

Pro-am switch

THE European pro-celebrity golf tournament, at Hoylake from August 8 to 11, has taken on a new look to help those players making a late challenge for places in the European team for the Ryder Cup match against the United States in September.

In previous years, the event has been a pro-am over four days. Now, the professionals will play on their own on the last two days as they try to gain further Ryder Cup points.

TABLE TENNIS: THE English Table Tennis Association has appointed Elaine Shaw, the Isle of Wight's former director of tourism, its new chief executive.

SQUASH RACKETS: Hi-Tec, the squash shoe manufacturer, is to give £900,000 to sponsor the British open championships for another three years.

TENNIS: Nick Brown, of Britain, lost 6-2, 4-6, 6-2 to Peter Nyborg, of Sweden, in the first round of the Challenger tournament in Bristol yesterday.

GOLF: The draw has been made for the first round of the Grafton Morrish Trophy at Brancaster on October 4.

DRAW: First round: 8am: Stowe v John Lyon. 8.20: Robert Gordon's v Loretto. 8.40: Ipswich v Gresham's. 9.00: The Leys v St Paul's. 9.20: KCS, Wimbledon v Bolton. 9.40: Charterhouse v Epsom. 10.00: St Lawrence College v Coventry. 10.20: Wellington v Bradfield, Hunstanton. 8.00: Malvern v Harrow. 8.20: Radley v Clifton. 8.40: Solihull v Culford. 9.00: King William's College, Isle of Man v Kimbolton. 9.20: Hymers College v Lancing College. 9.40: Ampleforth v Eastbourne. 10.00: Sevenoaks v Eton. 10.20: Nottingham v Winchester. Second round (Oct 4): Hunstanton: 11am: Hertford v Warwick. 11.20: Chigwell v Dollar Academy. 11.40: Cranleigh v Cheltenham. 12.00: Alleyn's v Brentwood. Brancaster: 11am: Hampton v King's, Canterbury. 11.20: Repton v Worksop. 11.40: Watson's v Sedbergh. 12.00: Glasgow Academy v Rugby.

FOR THE RECORD

ATHLETICS

FORMIA, Italy: International meeting: 200m: R De Silva (Bra), 20.68sec. 10,000m: 1, P Mella (Tar), 28min 07.70sec; 2, M Tanui (Ken), 28:08.81. 110m hurdles: M McKoy (Can), 13.53sec. 400m hurdles: S Madeta (Zam), 48.41. High jump: J Sotomayor (Cuba), 2.35m. Pole vault: S Bubka (USSR), 6.09 (world record). Triple jump: R Jaros (Sw), 17.15. Women: 800m: A Chirot (Cuba), 2min 00.18sec. 400m hurdles: M Ponomaryova (USSR), 54.25sec. High jump: S Kostadinova (Bul), 2.00m.

AUSTRALIAN RULES

AUSTRALIAN FOOTBALL LEAGUE: West Coast 14.16 (100) bt Melbourne 11.10 (76); Hawthorn 23.20 (158) bt Adelaide 11.10 (76); North Melbourne 13.18 (96) bt Carlton 14.5 (89); Collingwood 20.13 (133) bt Footscray 13.2 (80); Geelong 19.21 (69) bt Essendon 10.15 (75); St Kilda 19.16 (130) bt Richmond 13.13 (91); Brisbane 28.14 (170) bt Fitzroy 15.15 (105).

BRITISH LEAGUE (BARPL): East Midland Eagles 24.24 (168) bt Sussex Swans 1.8 (8); Wandsworth Demons 12.9 (81) bt WL Wallabout Wildcats 10.7 (67); North London Lions 21.21 (147) bt London Hawks 3.5 (23); Earls Court Roos 15.29 (119) bt Hartley Bristol Bears 3.1 (19); Lea Valley Saints 15.19 (109) bt Thames Valley Magpies. Leading positions: 1, Wandsworth, 44pts; 2, Earls Court, 40; 3, North London, 40.

BOWLS

COUNTY MATCHES: Gloucestershire 137, Leicestershire 113; Northants 117, Middlesex 110; Surrey 121, Norfolk 122.

CRICKET

MINOR COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP: Staffordshire: Norfolk 215-8 dec and 212 (S G Plumb 91; P D McGlashan 4-68), Lincolnshire 222-2 dec and 214-8 (P Hamilton 108 not out; J C M Lewis 5-81). Lincolnshire won by four wickets. Shrewsbury: Shropshire 176-4 dec (T Parton 77 not out) and 223-1 dec (J B R Jones 87 not out, J P Wright 70, T Parton 58 not out), Wales 151 and 217-9 (A Harris 81; A P Pridgeon 4-64). Match drawn. Hitchin: Hertfordshire 171-8 dec and 192-5 dec (M James 88), Bedfordshire 139-3 dec and 175-3 (M R Goodstone 102 not out). Match drawn.

SCHOOLS MATCHES: Aylesbury: GS 193-5, *Enfield GS 103-3; *Watford GS 202-8 (D Werren 108), Bedford Modern 86-4. Bath International Festival: Scotland 155, Putteney GS, Adelaide 81-3 (Putteney won on run-rate); Bath B 112, Essex, New South Wales 114-4; Hallebybury College, Victoria 253-8, Cricket 2000 International 46; Denmark U-16 134-7, Bath A 155-3. HSBI Worcester Festival: Guildford 182-8, High Wycombe 71; Colchester 122-9, Worcester 125-2; Lancaster 170-9, Newcastle 148, Other match: University of London 224-8, Star CC of India 160-8. Pocklington Festival: William Hulme 234-8 (N Wood 101), Wellingborough 186-4 (R Mann 103); Chigwell 169, Magdalen College 122-8. UCS Festival (60 over matches): UCS 233-5, (Agnes 109), King Edward's Lytham 234-1 (Nattrass 111); Barnard Castle 254-8, Woodbridge 162.

BAIN CLARKSON TROPHY: Harrow: Middlesex 286-5 (I Hutchinson 59, M Rowebarry 88), Surrey 128 (C Taylor 4-21). Middlesex won by 162 runs. Bristol: Gloucestershire 189-7 (E Milburn 82 not out), Hampshire 184-2 (R Cox 87 not out, R Morris 57). Hampshire won by 8 wkts. Chelmsford: Warwickshire 301-7 dec (G Cheetseworth 143 not out, T Penney 65), Essex 19-0.

FOOTBALL

SOUTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIP: Preliminary round: Group A: Argentina 3, Venezuela 1; Chile 4, Peru 2.

SOVIET LEAGUE: Pakhtakor Tashkent 4, Metallist Kharkov 2; Pamir Dushanbe 2, Dynamo Minsk 1; Dynamo Moscow 1, Torpedo Moscow 4; Dynamo Kiev 2, Lokomotiv Moscow 0; Shakhtyor Donetsk 1, Metallurg Zaporozhe 0; Chernomorets Odessa 1, CSKA 1; Spartak Moscow 2, Spartak Vladikavkaz 1. Leading positions: 1, CSKA, played 18, 29pts; 2, Shakhtyor Donetsk, 18, 22; 3, Spartak Moscow, 17, 21.

GOLF

US PGA: Ryder Cup points: 1, F Couples, $46,250; 2, P Stewart, $46,250; 3, L Wadkins, $25,188; 4, H Irwin, $17,500; 5, P Azinger, $01,250; 6, C Pavin, $55,500; equal 7, M Calcavecchia and W Levi, $27,500; 9, T Simpson, $91,250; 10, T Kite, $57,143; 11, S Pate, $53,752; 12, M O'Meara, $50,417. Tour money-winners (US unless stated): 1, C Pavin, $751,186 ($265,000); 2, L Wadkins, $587,848; 3, S Pate, $545,897; 4, F Couples, $467,705; 5, R Mediate, $464,082; 6, Woosnam (GB), $461,946; 7, D Love, $459,704; 8, T Purtzer, $459,666; 9, B Andrade, $450,939; 10, P Azinger, $448,452.

LPGA MONEY WINNERS: (US unless stated): 1, P Bradley, $441,643; 2, D Daniel, $404,949; 3, M Mallon, $340,778; 4, Ayako Okamoto (Japan), $276,114; 5, Patty Sheehan, $274,618; 6, Dottie Mochrie, $248,884; 7, Colleen Walker, $243,335; 8, Deb Richard, $230,589; 9, Jane Geddes, $220,691; 10, Betsy King, $218,530.

GOLF FOUNDATION NATWEST AGE GROUP REGIONAL FINAL: At Sandbury GC: Boys under-18: J Curtis (Didsbury), 74. Under-16: C Challenor (Church Stretton), 80. Under-14: J Baker (Church Stretton), 81. Under-13: R Lewis (Padeswood and Buckley), 81. Girls: Under-18: G Simpson (Cleckheaton and District), 78. Under-15: C Schuld (Bolton Old Links), 98. Under-14: L Davis (Betws-y-Coed), 93.

MEDITERRANEAN GAMES

In Athens

ATHLETICS: Men: 3,000m steeplechase: A Bakhirl (Alg), 8min 21.58sec. Pole vault: P D'Encausse (Fr), 5.40m. Long jump: K Koukodimos (Gr), 8.22. Hammer: R Kolel (Fr), 75.10. Javelin: J Sotelo (Sp), 76.04. Decathlon: S Ivanov (Yug), 7,771pts. Women: 200m: M Mesullo (It), 23.21sec. 400m: J Merlos (Sp), 51.68.800m: H Boutmedia (Alg), 2min 01.27sec. 5,000m: R Brunet (It), 15.45.68. 100m hurdles: A Paguaguli (Fr), 12.55sec.

FENCING: Men: Epee: H Feget (Fr).

CYCLING: Individual road race (182 km): D Rebellin (It), 4hr 00min 00sec.

MOTOR RALLYING

VAUXHALL ASTRA STAGES (North Wales): 1, S Gardner (Escort-Cosworth), 27.28sec; 2, P Hallows (Ford Titan), 28.36; 3, R Russell (Sierra Cosworth), 28.47.

CHALLENGE STAGES (Alntree): 1, D Speight (Sierra Cosworth), 38.23sec; 2, M Moore (Datsun), 37.42; 3, P Gardner (Mazda RX7), 36.02.

LINGSTON WINDOWS STAGES (Leicestershire): 1, D Pawley (Escort), 55.07sec; 2, N Allwright (Escort), 56.22; 3, M Vassey (Escort), 56.53.

MIDSUMMER STAGES (Norfolk): R Gillingham (TR7 V8), 2hr 21min 09sec.

SHOOTING

BISLEY: Services target rifle championships: Royal Navy: Individual championship: 1, CPO N Ball (HMS Daedalus), 228/21; 2, L-Cdr C Dickenson (Portsmouth), 228/20; 3, Cdr M Jordan (RMCS), 225. NRA: Silver Medal (600 yards): 1, Ball, 71.5 (on count-back); 2, Dickenson, 71.5; 3, AEM A Cleverly (Daedalus), 70.2. Hutton Tankard (short-range aggregate): 1, Dickenson, 143.10; 2, Ball, 142.13; 3, Jordan, 139.11. Army: Individual championships: 1, Lt Col J Bradley (RADC), 234; 2, Major R Ellis (RE), 223; 3, S-Lt H Sykes (RGJ), 221. Bisley Cup (300 and 600 yards): 1, Ellis, 142; 2, S Dave (Fetch), 141 (on count-back); 3, Bradley, 141. Wood Cup (600 and 1,000 yards): 1, A Clarke (Feld), 94; 2, L Oyson-Saville (Feld), 87; 3, Sykes, 86. Short-range teams: 1, 42 Survey RE, 364; 2, School of Signals, 377; 3, Royal School of Artillery, 376. Long-range teams: 1, 42 Survey, 241; 2, Army Air Corps Centre, 235; 3, 16 AD Regiment RA, 233. RAF: Individual championship: 1, Squadron Leader J Lindsay (Uxbridge), 188.05; 2, Flt Lt C Fitzpatrick (Brize Norton), 185.11; 3, Sgt M Joyce (Kinloss), 185.10. Grand Aggregates: 1, Fitzpatrick; 2, Flt Sgt F Carlin (Valley); 3, Lindsay. WRAF championships: SACW A Evans (St Athan), 84. Bisley Cup (inter-command): 1, Support, 1085; 2, Strike, 1035. Old Comrades Cup: 1, J White, 99; 2, I Tupler, 93; 3, P Lane-Joynt 91. Karachi Cup (Tyro): 1, Flt Sgt R Broscomb (Swanton Morley), 89. Weston Cup (non-Tyro): 1, Wing Commander C Hockley (Uxbridge), 98. Range prizes (non-Tyro) (300 yards): 1, Fitzpatrick, 50. (500 yards): 1, Fitzpatrick, 49. (Tyro): 300 yards: 1, Flying Officer F Bailey (Cosford), 45. (500 yards): Bailey 42.

TENNIS

BASTAD: Swedish open championships: Men's singles: First round: M Gustafsson (Swe) bt N Marques (Por), 6-0, 7-5; N Kroon (Swe) bt P Kuhnen (Ger), 7-5, 4-6, 6-4.

GSTAAD: Swiss open tournament: Men's singles: First round: A Krickstein (US) bt J Arias (Sp), 7-6, 6-3; H Skoff (Austria) bt J Hlasek (Switz), 7-5, 7-5; E Sanchez (Sp) bt S Hrazon (Yugo), 6-2, 6-4; A Gomez (Ecuador) bt C-U Steeb (Ger), 7-6, 6-3; G Forget (Fr) bt M Vajda (Cz), 6-2, 2-6, 6-3.

ATP: Rankings: 1, B Becker (Ger), 3,659pts; 2, S Edberg (Swe), 3,576; 3, I Lendl (Cz), 2,969; 4, M Stich (Ger), 2,268; 5, J Courier (US), 2,197; 6, A Agassi (US), 2,144; 7, G Forget (Fr), 1,720, 8, S Bruguera (Sp), 1,622; 9, P Sampras (US), 1,596; 10, M Chang (US), 1,440.

WITA: Rankings: 1, M Seles (Yugo); 2, S Graf (Ger); 3, G Sabatini (Arg); 4, A Sanchez Vicario (Sp); 5, M Navratilova (US); 6, M J Fernandez (US); 7, C Martinez (Sp); 8, J Novotna (Cz); 9, M Maleeva-Fragniere (Switz); 10, J Capriati (US). Money-winners: 1, Seles, $947,559 ($385,000); 2, Sabatini, $628,871; 3, Graf, $607,338; 4, Sanchez Vicario, $533,627; 5, Novotna, $469,094; 6, M J Fernandez, $434,622; 7, Navratilova, $373,536; 8, N Zvereva, (USSR), $305,402; 9, G Fernandez (P Rico), $291,576; 10, L Savchenko (USSR), $230,340.

MIDLAND BANK/LTA SCHOOLS TEAM COMPETITIONS: Senior students national finals (Queenswood School, Herts): Boys: Quarter-finals: Millfield (Somerset) bt Welsh College (Middlesex), 5-1; Repton (Derbys) bt King James' (Knaresborough), 6-0; Beacon (Crowborough, Sussex) bt Bolton (Lancs), 6-0; St Paul's (London) bt Malvern Boys College (Worcs), 4-2. Semi-finals: Repton bt Millfield, 5-1; Beacon bt St Paul's, 4-2. Final: Repton bt Beacon, 5-1. Third/fourth place: Millfield bt St Paul's, 4-2. Girls: Quarter-finals: Millfield (Somerset) bt Queen Margaret's (York), 6-0; Sevenoaks (Kent) bt Wilmslow (Cheshire), 5-1; Repton (Derbyshire) bt Cheltenham (Gloucs), 4-2; Woldingham (Surrey) bt Queenswood (Herts), 4-2. Semi-finals: Millfield bt Sevenoaks, 4-2; Repton bt Woldingham, 4-2. Final: Millfield bt Repton, 3-3 (23-20). Third/fourth place: Sevenoaks bt Woldingham, 4-1.

NEWPORT, Rhode Island: Hall of Fame championships: First round (US unless stated): T Martin bt J Rive, 7-5, 6-3; P Annecone bt H Holm (Swe), 4-6, 6-4, 7-5; B Shelton bt P Baur (Ger), 7-5, 1-6, 7-6; J Stark bt B Steel, 6-4, 6-1; G Prozzi (It) bt D Goldie, 5-7, 6-3, 6-4, A Reichel bt F Montana, 7-6, 1-6, 7-6; J Stangl (Neth) bt K Evans, 6-3, 7-6; J Palmer bt Brett S (NZ), 6-3, 7-6; G Layendecker bt J Morgan (Aus), 1-6, 7-6, C Saceanu (Ger) bt N Borwick (Aus), 6-3, 7-6.

YACHTING

DOW ISORA RACE WEEK: IOR overall: Race 2: 1, Comanche Raider (N and P Reilly); 2, Spead of Intel (C and N Brow); 3, Megalopolis (U Taylor). International Challenge Trophy: Race 2: 1, Ireland; 2, England B; 3, England A; 4, Northern Ireland. International Challenge Trophy: Overall (after 2 races): 1, Ireland; 2, England A; 3, England B; 4, Northern Ireland.

FIXTURES

BOWLS: Eastbourne open tournament.

GOLF: European women's team championship (Wentworth); Bell's Scottish Open (Gleneagles).

POLO (3.00): British open championship (Cowdray Park); Cirencester Champion Cup (Cirencester).

SHOOTING: Combined services meeting (Bisley).

SPEEDWAY (7.30): Heat team championship: Fourth leg: Coventry v Ipswich v King's Lynn v Oxford. Sunbrite National League: Second division: Glasgow v Arena Essex; Long Eaton v Peterborough.

TENNIS: Bristol Challenger Trophy (Bristol).

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POLO

CS Brooks prove too swift for Los Locos

By JOHN WATSON

C S BROOKS defeated Los Locos 10-3 in a league-four match when the British Open resumed at Ambersham, Sussex yesterday. Los Locos boasted the nicely balanced 20-goal combination of Simon and Claire Tomlinson, playing with two seven-handicap Argentinians at the centre.

This foursome, however, could not compete on equal terms with Brook Johnson's 22-goal squad, based on the American pair, Owen Rinehart and Adam Snow, with Tim Stakemire playing a particularly sharp No. 1 for them off his three-handicap. C S Brooks gained their victory by superior speed and ball control and more accurate team play. They were also less prone to causing infringements.

The second match, in league three, brought an 8-3 triumph for Tacones Farm against Munnipore. The Tacones' No. 3, Gustavo Courreges, played outstandingly; his defensive partnership with Charles Beresford ensuring that few Munnipore attacks succeeded.

At the Royal Berkshire Club, Maple Leafs beat Alfa Romeo, 8-7 in extra time in a league-four match.

CS BROOKS: 1, T Stakemire (3); 2, A Snow (6); 3, O Rinehart (9); back, B Johnson (2).
LOS LOCOS: 1, C Tomlinson (3); 2, M Vidou (7); 3, M Arauco (7); back, S Tomlinson (3).
TACONES FARM: 1, M Olazábal (1); 2, G Dorignac (5); 3, G Courreges (8); back, Lord C Beresford (6).
MUNNIPORE: 1, J Lyczba (1); 2, B Heguy (5), 3, E Heguy (10); back, M Fonseca (2).

EQUESTRIANISM

Dutch treat for shows

THREE of Europe's leading horse shows, the Royal Windsor horse show, the Olympia show jumping championships and the Antwerp World Cup show, are to come under the management of the Netherlands-based equestrian consultancy, BCM (Best Communication and Management), following the formation of BCM Great Britain Limited (Jenny MacArthur writes).

The London-based offshoot will be run by Raymond Brooks-Ward, the former managing director of British Equestrian Promotions, Joe Moore, the show director of Royal Windsor, and Brooks-Ward's son, Simon, of Grandstand Communications. Brooks-Ward, who left BEP when it was sold earlier this year to Alan Pascoe Associates, said this week that the three shows on their books were just "a starting point".

GOLF

Wind proves no problem for Collinson

GARY Collinson, from the Windyhill club, near Glasgow, showed his mastery of difficult blustery conditions to win the Open Championship regional qualifying competition with a par round of 72 at Deer Park, in Scotland, yesterday.

Collinson, aged 26, collected £300 for heading the list of 17 qualifiers before moving on to Gleneagles for an early start in the Scottish Open today.

Collinson, whose four-birdie round was spoiled by a double-bogey seven at the 14th, said: "This will be the fourth time since 1985 that I've played in the final qualifying. So far I've not even been close to getting into the Open proper, but this round has helped my confidence after a disappointing season."

Several players threatened Collinson's early target but were caught out by the closing hole at the Livingston course.

Seven players played off on 77 for four places. Lindsay Mann and Paul Lawrie both survived with birdies at the first extra hole; the amateur, Mike Thomson, went through at the second; and Colin Gillies shook off Ian Taylor after six extra holes.

QUALIFIERS: 72: G Collinson (Windyhill). 73: C Innes (Turnberry), M McLaren (Longniddry), C Elliott (Clydebank and District), *D Crawford (Sandyhills). 74: G Forbes (Deeside). 75: *P Ramsay (Newbattle), *A Collart (Thornhill), A Brooks (Carluke), F Mann (Ballistar). 76: *C Watson (East Renfrewshire), B Davidson (King's Links), B Lockie (Baraonie). 77 (after play off): C Gillies (Unatt), L Mann (Ballistar), *M Thomson (Melrose), P Lawrie (King's Links).
* denotes amateur

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SPORT

International Olympic Committee votes in Lausanne to end Springboks' 27 years of banishment from the Games

South Africa are back in the fold

From DAVID MILLER
IN LAUSANNE

THE International Olympic Committee (IOC) yesterday readmitted South Africa – 27 years after it had been banished. The IOC's significant gamble goes far beyond their normal boundaries: that by re-embracing South African sport, white and black, it will enhance, in the long-term, the social and political integration of the country's massive majority of disadvantaged non-whites.

The decision by the Apartheid Commission, immediately ratified by Juan Antonio Samaranch, the IOC president, was taken by a preponderance of Africans: Judge Kaber M'baye (Senegal), Andrew Young (former United States ambassador to the United Nations), General Henry Adefope (Nigeria), Jean-Claude Ganga (Congo), Amadou Lamine Ba (Cameroon), Fekrou Kidane (Ethopia), and Sam Ramsamy (South Africa). Upon their heads, and those of their white colleagues rests the responsibility of one of the most far reaching moves taken in sport since South Africa's expulsion 21 years ago.

Doctor Willie Basson, president of the Confederation of South African Sport, representing all national governing bodies and a member of the Interim National Olympic Committee of South Africa which met the commission prior to yesterday's decision said: "This will be a catalyst for a sporting explosion, both among competitors and in commercial activity that has been internationally dormant for so long." A bid to stage the Olympic Games of 2000 is by no means unlikely, I believe.

It will also, Dr Basson predicts, be a catalyst precipitating government involvement, after the decision in the mid-80s to make sport autonomous. "The government will realise sport is a vehicle to the outside world, and for international respectability," Dr Basson said. "And I think we will see a generation of activity in our country that we have never seen before."

The decision that has been reached is particularly rewarding for both Samaranch and Ramsamy. Since becoming IOC president in 1980 Samaranch has always said that the South African solution must come through Africa; yet his initiative in the establishment of the Apartheid Commission in 1988 and the opening of direct dialogue with the ANC and others a year later, concluding with the first visit by an IOC delegation to South Afica in March has directly led to this about-turn in global sporting policy.

Ramsamy has ridden one of the trickiest months in the history of sport. Himself an Asian refugee from his own country, he helped lead the 30-year movement against a legally divided South Africa. Yet, once the door began to open, and even though criticised by some of his own people, it is his knowledge of the workings of the Olympic movement and of his own country, that has held together the multi-racial INOCSA. It remains to be seen whether he can retain his leadership of the newly approved NOC.

The Apartheid Commission yesterday chose to ignore non-white political opposition to the ending of the international sports moratorium. The South African Council on Sport, politically radical members of Inocsa, withdrew from yesterday's delegation; yet all those present believed that domestic and international sports can be a fulcrum for black social development.

The five South African delegates, led by Ramsamy, sat almost ashen-faced as the commission's decision was announced: suddenly realising the full extent and responsibility of what they had helped establish.

"It *has* to work, and I believe that even the poor people, both black and white, want it too." Issy Kramer, the treasurer of the former (white) suspended NOC, said.

Yet Dr Basson readily admitted the magnitude of the problems ahead, even though 20% of his confederation – contrary to the belief of much of the outside world – is 20% non-white. "This is, initially, an elitist action," he admitted. "It will only effect those whites who have been denied during the last 20 years, plus a potentially small number of the disadvantaged. So therefore, a huge amount will depend on the skills of the new Olympic Committee to remove existing disparities, to create opportunity for equal participation. We have a huge challenge, and there is a sting in the tail of the IOC's recommendation. We have to get it right."

Primo Nebiolo, the International Amateur Athletic Federation president, confirmed last night that South Africa's new unified athletics body would be affiliated at the meeting immediately prior to the world championship in August and that places would be kept open for South African competitors.



Historic agreement: Samaranch, the IOC president, right, and Ramsamy, the president of INOCSA, mark yesterday's decision in Lausanne

Years spent in the wilderness

SOUTH Africa used to be one of the most formidable powers in international sport (John Goodbody writes). The boxers Willie Toweel and Jake Tuli, the athletes Gert Potgieter and Mal Spence, the cricketers Graeme Pollock and Barry Richards, the rugby players Frik du Preez and Jannie Engelbrecht ... they and others gave their country a reputation for technical skill and physical excellence.

However, because of the policy of apartheid, South Africa gradually became ostracised from the rest of the world as other nations refused to compete with them. For 20 years, their only contact with the sporting mainstream has been through mainly individual sports such as golf, tennis, motor racing and boxing; unofficial rugby and cricket tours; and the vicarious pleasure of having their compatriots represent other countries, like Zola Budd in Britain.

Here is the chronology of South Africa's isolation:

1960: All-white South African team takes part in Olympic Games for last time; Athlete Mal Spence, third in 400 metres, wins last medal.

1964: South Africa barred from Olympic Games because its apartheid laws infringe Olympic charter.

1965: All-white South African cricket party visits England for last time.

1968: Basil D'Oliveira, South African-born Cape Coloured cricketer, is picked for England's tour of South Africa. J. B. Vorster, the South African prime minister, says he is unacceptable. Tour is cancelled.

1969: Davis Cup tennis match between South Africa and Britain at Bristol disrupted by flour-bombs thrown by protesters. Springbok rugby union tour of the British Isles interrupted by demonstrators. Amid widespread disorder, team has to travel secretly to matches.

1970: South Africa expelled from the International Olympic Committee. Anti-apartheid sympathisers vandalise cricket grounds in England and threaten to disrupt Springbok visit, which is cancelled after appeal by James Callaghan, the home secretary. Arthur Ashe, black American tennis player, refused visa to play in South Africa. South Africa banned from Davis Cup. Protests against Springbok rugby union tour of Australia and against Frew McMillan, the tennis player, at US Open. International Equestrian Federation and International Cycling Union expel the Republic.

1972: Demonstrators try to prevent England rugby union team leaving for South Africa.

1973: Fina, the world swimming federation, expels South Africa.

1974: British Isles rugby union team tours South Africa.

1976: Black African countries boycott Montreal Olympic Games in protest at New Zealand's rugby union tour of South Africa. Fifa, the world governing body for football, and the International Amateur Athletic Federation, expel South Africa.

1977: Commonwealth prime ministers sign the Gleneagles declaration to discourage sporting links with South Africa by member countries.

1980: British Isles make last rugby union tour of South Africa.

1981: South African rugby union team makes last tour, visiting New Zealand; demonstrators fight police.

1982: Unofficial tour of South Africa by England cricketers. Players, including Graham Gooch, Geoff Boycott, Alan Knott and John Emburey, banned from Test cricket for three years. Unofficial tour of South Africa by Sri Lankan cricketers, who are banned for 25 years.

1983: Unofficial tour of South Africa by West Indian cricketers, who are banned for life.

1984: Zola Budd is granted UK citizenship and represents Britain at the 1984 Olympic Games. Widespread demonstrations at her inclusion.

1986: Boycott of Commonwealth Games in Edinburgh by 32 nations, protesting at Britain's refusal to impose economic sanctions on South Africa. Budd and Annette Cowley, the South African-born swimmer, barred from competing in Commonwealth Games because they did not fulfil residential qualifications. World Boxing Association (WBA) says it will sanction no further title fights in South Africa until apartheid is removed.

1988: Budd returns to South Africa after four-year career in Britain, which included winning world cross country title twice; says she is retiring from international athletics.

1990: Unofficial cricket tour of South Africa by leading England players cut short because of protests. Mike Gatting, Neil Foster and John Emburey among those banned from Test cricket for five years.

Britain glad to have a reunion

By JOHN GOODBODY

BRITISH sport yesterday expressed its delight at the return of South Africa to the Olympic movement and looked forward to an immediate renewal of sporting links with the Republic, and its sportsmen and women, after nearly 30 years of controversy and bitterness.

"We're very pleased that a difficult time for world sport is coming to an end and delighted about the regularization of the situation," Dick Palmer, the secretary of the British Olympic Association, said.

Tony Ward, the spokesman for the British Amateur Athletic Board, said: "It will be a historic moment to have them back into the fold after all these years. I think that people will be pleased but also hope that this decision gets the full backing from all parts of the political spectrum in the Republic."

He said that Britain would welcome Zola Pieterse (neè Budd) back here again since the International Amateur Athletic Federation (IAAF) is bound to readmit South Africa, possibly in time for the world championships in Tokyo next month.

Ward said that it was "not out of the question" that Budd could run in the McVitie's Challenge in Sheffield after the world championships. Budd, whose UK citizenship was rushed through in 1984, won two cross-country titles for Britain but returned home in 1988 on the verge of a breakdown after four years of allegations that she was using her passport as a convenience to compete internationally.

Michael Bonallack, the secretary of the Royal and Ancient golf club, said: "I think this is very good news and I would hope that the Republic will now be back in the Eisenhower world team championships. They have not played since Lausanne in 1982 when a lot of countries did not compete because South Africa was there."

Peter Hain, the Labour MP for Neath, who was chairman of the Stop the Seventy Tour committee, welcomed the decision. It was the vindication, he said, of 21 years of protest, boycott, and campaigns that have achieved a non-racial sporting structure within Olympic sports. "However, I do not think that there should be pressure prematurely to bounce tours in and out of South Africa. There needs to be time to settle down."

Joe Lewis, the secretary of the Amateur Boxing Association, considers that some of the Republic's boxers could surprise the world at the Barcelona Olympics.

Wally Holland, the secretary of the British Amateur Weightlifters Association, said: "If the people in South Africa are happy then I am happy. I think our lifters will have no qualms about competing against their best in the Olympics."

Bacher welcomes lifting of ban

DR ALI Bacher, the managing director of the newly-formed United Cricket Board of South Africa, said after meeting International Cricket Council (ICC) delegates at Lord's yesterday that he welcomed the IOC's lifting of their 21-year ban on South Africa (Ivo Tennant writes).

"We are very pleased that this is a part of a new South Africa and I like to think that the decision will be a stepping stone for the ICC meeting today." India is to propose, and Australia will second, South Africa's return at today's meeting.

Bacher said that he was pleased with the response the South African delegation was given from ICC full and associate members and that West Indies was not against the application to rejoin ICC.

"Clyde Walcott wants us back in world cricket but he has not had the opportunity to discuss this with his board of control. I hope West Indies might change their stance. They indicated reasons why they wanted to have discussions with their board. We are quietly confident about today's meeting," he said.

☐ The news from Lausanne was greeted with joy in South Africa, and athletics officials were hoping to parade their leading performers at the world championships in Tokyo next month. The only name known internationally is that of Zola Budd, now Zola Pieterse, who competed for Britain in the 1988 Olympics.

Defeat deals England a test of fortitude

By ALAN LEE
CRICKET CORRESPONDENT

TRENT BRIDGE (final day of five): West Indies beat England by nine wickets

ALL-SQUARE with two to play is a more promising midsummer scenario than most people envisaged when the West Indians arrived but there can be no denying that England conceded the psychological high ground during the third Cornhill Test match which finished yesterday.

Only incurable optimists gave them any chance of bowling out the touring side for fewer than 115 yesterday but the near-disdainful fashion in which the nine-wicket win was completed before lunch confirmed the ominous change of mood this series has undergone during proceedings in Nottingham.

Viv Richards, who preached peace and tranquillity to his players for as long as they were behind, will be waging war now that they are level. If anyone doubted how much this series meant to the West Indies captain, this match has provided the answer, first in the intensity of his batting and then in his whooping euphoria at slip during England's batting decline.

It was redolent of Barbados, early last year, the game in which England surrendered their lead before being obliterated in Antigua. Richards will demand nothing less from his men now and the job of Graham Gooch, against a team high on adrenalin and self-belief, is suddenly immeasurably more difficult.



Gooch and Hick find time to ponder defeat yesterday

There is one comfort for England in any comparison with events on the last Caribbean tour. The last two Tests there were separated only by a day, cruelly inadequate time to repair wounds to bodies and spirit. If the next Test was to begin tomorrow, the same result might occur, but instead England have a full fortnight to review and regroup.

The respite is precious, both for players who have to repair shaken morale and selectors who have some important decisions to take. "West Indies are going to take a lot of confidence from this match and I want to let the dust settle," Gooch said yesterday. "I want to have a week off from thinking about it."

The pity is that, in this bafflingly programmed season, there is now no championship cricket for a week and Graeme Hick, for instance, will have only two first-class innings before his infant England career must be judged.

There will be no drastic surgery to Gooch's team after a single setback but one batsman is likely to be jettisoned, probably to accommodate a left-handed opener in Hugh Morris. Paradoxically, the very fact that Hick, in the long-term, is less expendable than Allan Lamb makes it more likely that he will be the one to go now.

Lamb is 12 years older than Hick and almost certainly playing his final home series. But a combination of his record and experience against West Indies and the increased concern over how much damage Hick may sustain through his ordeal could conspire to reprieve him. Hick might be sent back to county cricket for some revision against the short ball; Lamb is more likely to be sent down the order, perhaps exchanging places with Robin Smith.

If the Trent Bridge Test has forced England to rethink their batting, it has also done little to resolve doubts over the bowling attack. Lawrence and Illingworth looked out of their depth, neither able to exert the consistent control needed at this level.

Lawrence was not chosen to keep the runs down but his concession of five an over was too high for comfort, while Illingworth's rapid retreat into negative thinking betrayed his lack of penetration. Tufnell might not have run through the opposition but he would assuredly have given them more to think about in turning the ball away from the bat on an off-stump line.

Pringle, too, was innocuous on a pitch of easy pace and, until the fourth day, consistent bounce. The dilemma, however, is that there are few serious alternatives. Tim Munton could come into the reckoning for the next Test on his home ground at Edgbaston but the bowlers for whom England constantly cry out are the injured Angus Fraser and the ineligible Neil Foster. Only with the rare quality that these two possess could they realistically hope to beat West Indies in favourable batting conditions.

The shortcomings were evident again yesterday, in the two hours it took Haynes and Richardson to score the remaining 95 runs. To be fair, neither batsman was without blemish and all of England's faster bowlers beat the bat periodically. But, infuriatingly, nothing went to hand, the nearest to a chance being a mistimed pull by Haynes which eluded a cumbersome Pringle at mid-on, to DeFreitas's vocal disgust.

The match ended with both batsmen past 50. It ended with high-fives all round in one dressing-room and bleak expressions in another. It ended with Ambrose as man of the match, which raised no eyebrows, and Ladbroke's offering England at 5-1 for the series, which raised plenty. Just as Headingley did not spark a revolution, Trent Bridge need not be the point of surrender.

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Sunday racing is dealt body blow

By RICHARD EVANS

RACING'S hopes of receiving up to £50 million in levy next year and seeing the introduction of Sunday meetings without off-course betting were dashed by the Government last night.

Kenneth Baker, home secretary, spelt out his opposition in Whitehall's formal response to the recommendations made by the home affairs select committee enquiry into the horserace betting levy.

His much-awaited statement amounted to a classic "hands-off" approach by Government and will disappoint many racing industry leaders – but delight the bookmakers.

"One of the main themes of the committee's report is that the Government should stay out of racing. I agree with that. In view of the committee's work I have decided that there is no need for the Government to conduct a further enquiry into the financing of racing," Baker said.

The home affairs select committee had suggested off-course bookmakers should contribute more of their £150 million a year profits towards racing's coffers.

In particular, the MPs recommended the levy next year should be £50 million, compared to £37 million this year, with the extra coming out of bookmaker profits. Baker said: "It would be incompatible with my statutory duties to give any commitment in advance to determine a levy scheme at £50 million or any other particular level."

The select committee's argument that Sunday racing without off-course betting shops being open would not result in an increase in illegal gambling has been rejected by the Home Office.

"The Government continues to believe that Sunday racing should be accompanied with provision for on-course and off-course cash betting.

"Sunday racing without off-course betting would encourage illegal gambling. That is undesirable," the government response added.

The Home Secretary's remarks delighted the big bookmakers. The Betting Office Licensees' Association, which represents the "Big Three", applauded Baker's remarks over not determining the size of levy.

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